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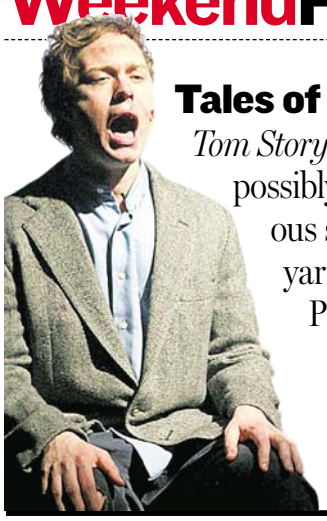
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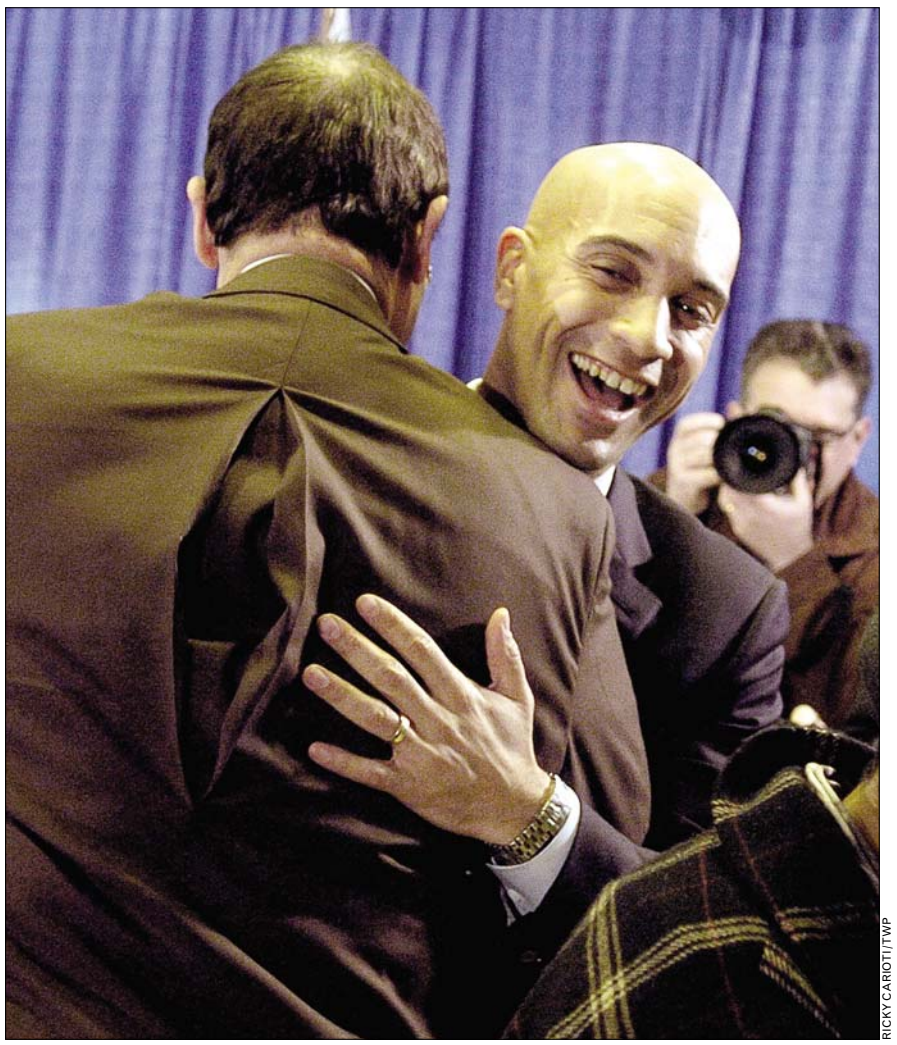
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Fenty Fights for D.C. Voting Rights

RALLYING CRY: Mayor Adrian Fenty and D.C. Council chair Vincent Gray embrace Wednesday after Fenty's State of the District address in Southeast. Fenty urged residents to march in support of a bill that would give D.C. a vote in Congress. ✣ **Uphill battle:** Bush veto threat looms over D.C. bill | **Page I5**

Deadlock On Firings Heats Up

Bush, Congress skid toward showdown over testimony

WASHINGTON | President Bush and the Democratic-controlled Congress careened closer to a full-blown legal showdown over the firing of federal prosecutors Wednesday as a House subcommittee approved subpoenas for top administration officials in defiance of the White House.

In response, the White House threatened to rescind its day-old proposal for top strategist Karl Rove and other officials to answer lawmakers' questions away from the glare of television lights and not under oath. "If they issue subpoenas, yes, the offer is withdrawn," said presidential spokesman Tony Snow.

It seemed likely the next act would be a separate vote Thursday in the Senate Judiciary Committee to approve a second set of subpoenas for Rove, former White House counsel Harriet Miers and William Kelley, who was Miers' deputy.

Senate Democrats have been insistent on gaining testimony under oath, and Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., dismissed the idea that Rove would be allowed to answer questions on the White House's terms. "Anyone who would take that deal isn't playing with a full deck," he said. (AP)

OBVIOUS JOKES | **Wild Goose Chase** Chicago needs a flock of volunteers — for goose egg patrol. Park District officials are enlisting help to locate nests of goose eggs as part of an expanded program aimed at downsizing the population of the aggressive park-fouling birds. The patrols will search II parks through April. "I can't stress enough: This is not an Easter egg hunt," said Susan Hagberg, president of Wild Goose Chase. "This is very regulated. If people think they can do this on their own, they can't." (AP) EyeOpeners | Page 2

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GATEWAYS

Today, Tigger Socks. Tomorrow, Piercings and Insolence

A seventh-grader might end up in court for wearing Winnie the Pooh socks to school. Toni Kay Scott, 14, was sent to an in-school suspension program called Students With Attitude Problems last year for violating a dress code, according to a lawsuit against the Napa Valley Unified School District and Redwood Middle School in California. She had donned socks with the Tigger character from the Winnie the Pooh cartoons on them, along with a denim skirt and a brown shirt with a pink border. But the school's policy requires students to wear clothes with solid colors in blue, white, green, yellow, khaki, gray, brown and black. (AP)

DUMB COMBINATIONS

Did They Try Queen Victoria's Birthday?



Monroe Historical Society members delighted in the recent discovery of two antique safes on their Connecticut property. What they need now is an antique safe cracker. The 300-pound safes might hold treasures that help shed light on the 184-year-old town's rich history. Or, they could be empty. It'll remain a mystery until the historical society finds someone who can coax open the old locks, because the combinations seem to be lost to the ages. Officials found the safes about two months ago behind a furnace in an old farmhouse, which was also full of old theatrical costumes and other vintage artifacts. Now, they are putting out a call for a skilled volunteer locksmith capable of opening the Victorian-era safes without damaging them or their contents. (AP)



TIZIANA FABI/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

ART

Pick of the Litter

You know the expression that one man's trash is another's treasure. Well, the same is true for art — at least in the home of the Renaissance. German artist HA Schult's 1,000 "Trash People" will be on display in Piazza del Popolo in Rome until March 29. The sculptures are made exclusively from household waste and glue. (EXPRESS)



TOBY TALBOT/AP

National Merit Scholarship — pshaw. This will look great on a college app!

CONTESTS

The Smell of Victory

Thirteen-year-old Katharine Tuck's sneakers are equal opportunity offenders. They smell as bad as they look. Now, the Utah seventh-grader is $2,500 richer because of it: On Tuesday, she out-ranked six other children to win the 32nd annual National Odor-Eaters Rotten Sneaker Contest in Montpelier, Vt., stinking up the joint with a pair of well-worn Nikes so noxious they had the judges wincing. "I'm so proud of the little stinker," said her mother, Paula Tuck. The contest, which was founded in 1975, pits children from around the nation who have won state-level competitions for the generally cruddy condition of their footwear. (AP)

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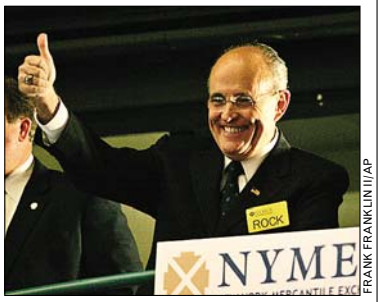
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In Brief



FRANK FRANKLIN II/AP

An early presidential primary in New York may help Rudy Giuliani's chances.

ALBANY, N.Y.

Lawmakers Back New Date For Presidential Primary

The New York Legislature overwhelmingly approved a measure Wednesday to move the state's presidential primary up to Feb. 5, a move designed to help its favorite political son and daughter — Rudy Giuliani and Hillary Rodham Clinton — in the 2008 race. Gov. Eliot Spitzer is expected to sign the measure that would put New York with a host of other states opting for the new Super Tuesday showdown. (AP)

CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

Fired Astronaut Nowak Assigned to Navy Position

The former astronaut who was fired by NASA after she was charged with trying to kidnap a romantic rival will develop flight lesson plans as part of her new military assignment. Navy Capt. Lisa Nowak is joining the staff of the Chief of Naval Air Training Command in Corpus Christi next month, said a Navy spokesman, Lt. Sean Robertson. (AP)

Democrats Revive Deadline for Iraq

Leaders attach troop withdrawal provision to war funding bill

WASHINGTON | Senate Democrats on Wednesday revived legislation urging President Bush to bring combat troops home from Iraq in a year, attaching it to a $122 billion measure needed to fund the war.

The move puts Democrats on track for another confrontation with President Bush over the increasingly unpopular war and congressional Republicans, who are expected to try to block the measure.

House Democratic leaders are pushing a similar measure that would require that troops leave by 2008 — a bill party officials predicted that chamber would pass on Thursday.

"United States troops should not be policing a civil war, and the current conflict in Iraq requires principally a political solution," according to a draft Senate bill circulated to members in anticipation of a Thursday committee vote.



DENNIS COOK/AP

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., is pressing House Democrats to support a military spending bill that would require troops to leave Iraq before September '08.

The measure would provide nearly $97 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and billions more in domestic aid and emergency relief programs. It would require that Bush begin bringing home some troops within four months of its passage, setting a nonbinding goal of having all combat troops out of Iraq by March 31, 2008.

The provision is similar to a resolution the Senate rejected last week. It failed on a 50-48 vote, falling 12 votes shy of the 60 needed to pass, after Bush pledged to veto the legislation.

But unlike that resolution, Democrats think the spending legislation has a much better chance of passing. Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb., who voted against last week's resolution, has agreed to support the spending bill because it outlines benchmarks for the Iraqi government.

The House is expected to vote Thursday on a similar spending bill, amounting to $124 billion, that would finance the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The House bill, which Bush also threatened to veto, would require that combat troops be out of Iraq before September 2008, possibly sooner if the Iraqi government does not meet certain benchmarks.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., continued Wednesday to press party members to back the bill, unsure whether she had enough votes to pass it. (AP)

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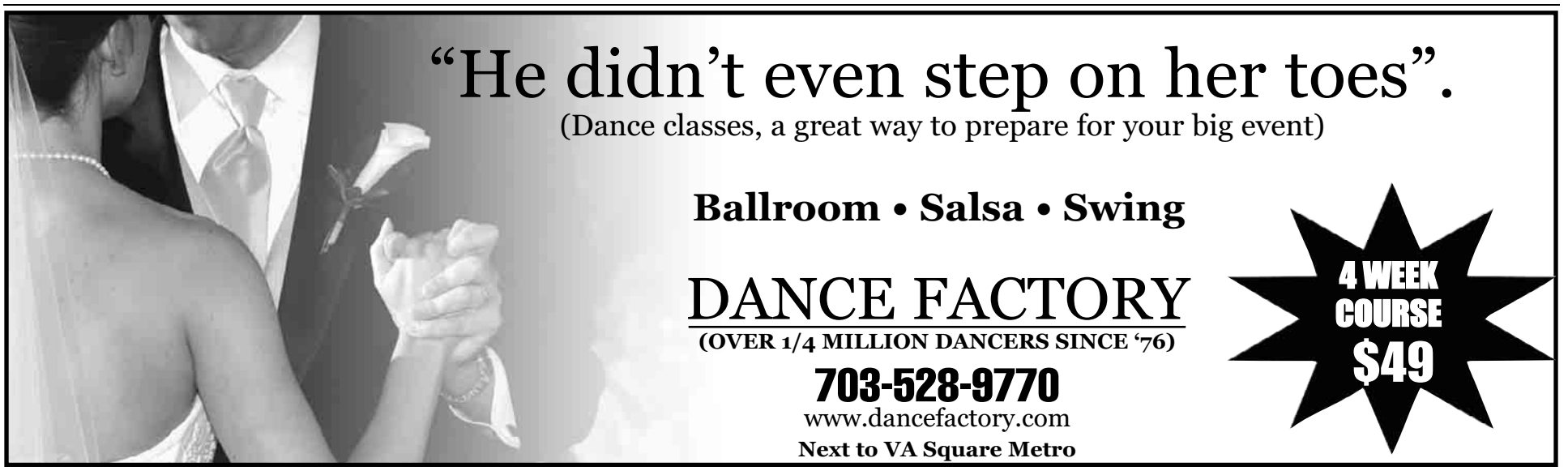
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Dropping Prices Shutter Sago Mine

CHARLESTON, W.VA. | The owner of the Sago Mine, where 12 men died after an explosion last year, said Wednesday it has idled the coal operation because of high production costs and weak prices.

International Coal Group Inc. spokesman Ira Gamm described the shutdown as purely a business decision.

The Sago Mine became the focus of national attention in January 2006 after a methane gas explosion trapped a team of miners deep inside its shafts. By the time searchers reached the team 40 hours later, only one man had survived the carbon monoxide gas. (AP)



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Kevin Runey, General Manager of Rosner Toyota of Stafford, an award winning Toyota dealer in Northern Virginia, has announced plans to hold a five-dollar used car and truck sales event this Saturday, March 24th.

According to Used Car Manager Matt Suddarth, recent record sales have created an overstock of trade-ins. "Our sales have increased at a tremendous rate during the last year," Mr. Suddarth said. "Now, we are forced to reduce our number of used cars and trucks immediately!"

"During this five-dollar sale, more than $4 million in inventory will be sold for thousands below it's original price. **In fact, vehicles normally sold for five to eight thousand will be slashed for three to five thousand,"** Mr. Suddarth said. "Our customers will find these prices to be even lower than those at wholesale auctions."

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"On Saturday morning at 9:00 am, all used vehicles will be opened, allowing buyers one half hour to inspect them before the **sale starts at 9:30 am Saturday.** Whoever is sitting behind the wheel of a vehicle at 9:30 am Saturday - when we post the prices on the windshields - will be given first opportunity to purchase the vehicle at the sale price."

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"Wholesale buyers will be on site to take trade-ins during the sale," Mr. Suddarth said. "Our business managers will also be available to help buyers arrange low cost financing. **Past credit problems are no problem during the Slasher Sales Event."**

"We'll have over four million dollars of inventory to choose from, more than 250 new and used cars and trucks. But we want to remind customers that this sale will be only for **one day only: Saturday, March 24th, 2007.** When our inventory has been reduced, the sale prices will be removed, and the one-day Slasher Sale will be over."

"We're a local business," Mr. Runey said, "so, we would like to give something back to the community. We would rather have local people buy these over-stocked vehicles and save money, then wholesale them at an auction."

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Episcopal Bishops Reject Ultimatum

Leaders may be exiled from Anglican family for supporting gays

NEW YORK | Episcopal bishops risked losing their place in the global Anglican family Wednesday by defiantly affirming their support for gay relationships and rejecting a key demand that they give up some authority to theological conservatives outside the U.S. church

In strong and direct language, the Episcopal House of Bishops said it views the Gospel as teaching full inclusion of gays and lesbians in the church. And the bishops said they would not agree to an Anglican plan for people outside the U.S. denomination to oversee the small number of conservative American dioceses that disagree.

"We cannot accept what would be injurious to the church and could well lead to its permanent division," the bishops said in a resolution from a private meeting in Texas.

"If that means that others reject us and communion with us, as some have already done, we must with great regret and sorrow accept their decision."

The Episcopal Church is the U.S. wing of the 77 million-member Anglican Communion, a fellowship of churches that traces its roots to the Church of England.

Episcopal bishops said they still have a "passionate desire" to stay in the communion. But the Anglican spiritual leader, Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams, issued a brief statement Wednesday calling their decision "discouraging."

RACHEL ZOLL (AP)

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PEACHY PREPARATIONS: Pablo Vasquez prunes peach trees at Bush's Fern View Farms on Tuesday. The first peaches of the season usually arrive during the last week of July, according to farm owner Dwayne Bush.

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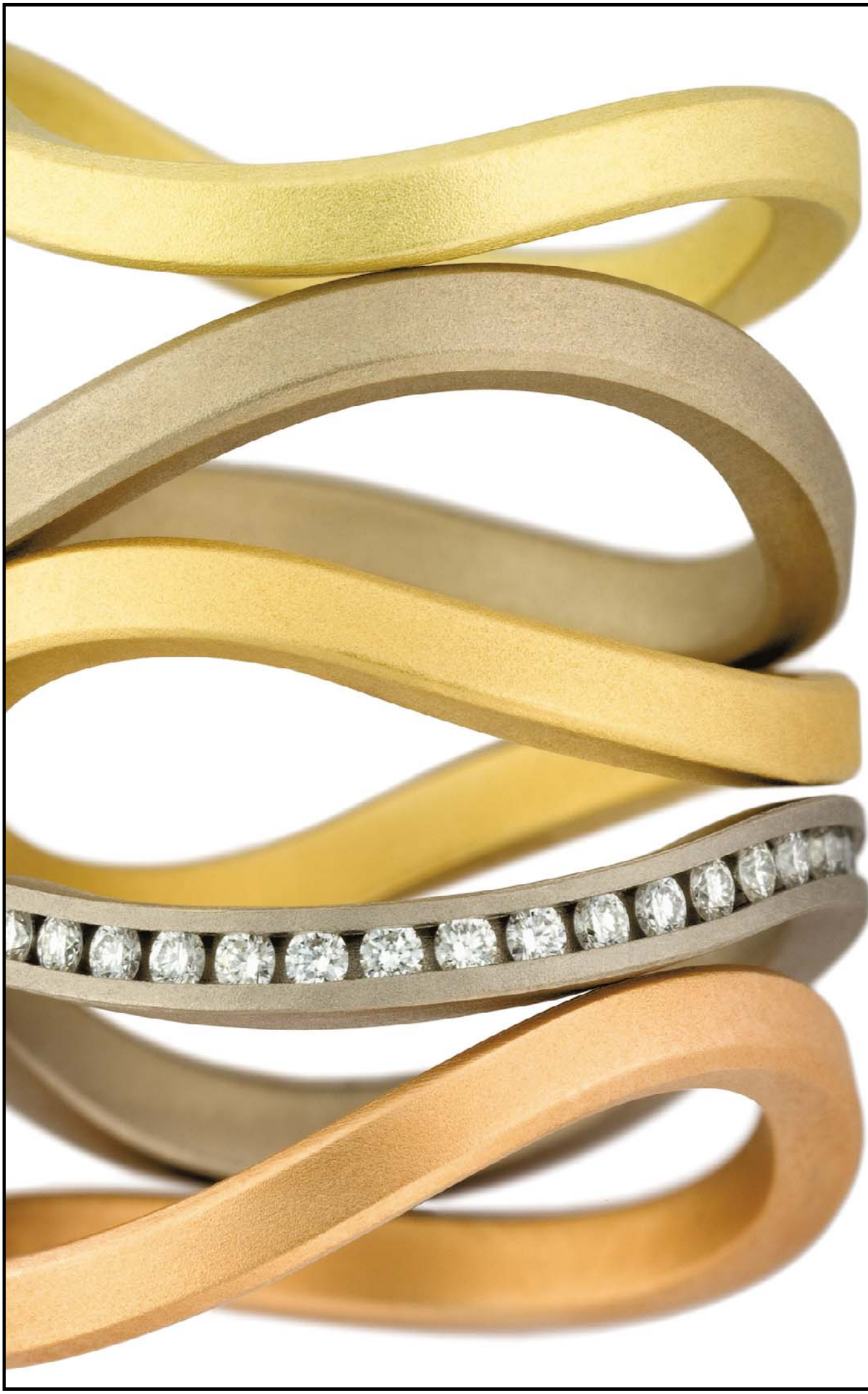
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Gore Touts Global Warming Policies

Former vice president returns to Capitol Hill and pleads for action

WASHINGTON | Al Gore, who has reversed his political fortunes to become a potential contender in the 2008 presidential race, made an emotional return to Congress Wednesday to appeal for an even more dramatic rescue — saving the planet.

Gore — who is one of voters' top choices for the Democratic presidential nomination, even though he says he's not running — implored lawmakers to adopt a list of policy prescriptions to stop global warming.

Fresh off a triumphant Academy Awards appearance in which his documentary won two Oscars, Gore drew overflow crowds as he testified before House and Senate panels about a "true planetary emergency" if Congress fails to act. He said addressing the problem is a moral issue and should not be a partisan or political.



SUSAN WALSH/AP

Former Vice President Al Gore testifies Wednesday before the Senate Environment Committee hearing on global climate change on Capitol Hill in Washington.

Gore faced a skeptical reception from some Republicans, who questioned the science behind his testimony.

"You're not just off a little, you're totally wrong," said Texas Rep. Joe Barton, the leading Republican on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, as he challenged Gore's conclusion that carbon dioxide emissions cause rising global temperatures. Barton and Gore's exchange grew testy at one point — Barton demanded that Gore get to the point and Gore responded that he would like time to answer without being interrupted.

"The planet has a fever," Gore said. "If your baby has a fever, you go to the doctor. If the doctor says you need to intervene here, you don't say, 'Well, I read a science fiction novel that told me it's not a problem.' If the crib's on fire, you don't speculate that the baby is flame retardant. You take action."

NEDRA PICKLER (AP)

A Harsh Climate

➜ Beset by harsh interrogation from congressional Republicans, Gore's testimony on Capitol Hill was like a 21st-century version of the Scopes trial. | **A2**

IN The Washington Post

NYC Mayor Asks Senate for More Sept. 11 Funding

WASHINGTON | The mayor of New York City asked Congress on Wednesday to reopen the government fund for victims of the Sept. 11 terror attacks — and spare his city the prospect of losing billions of dollars in lawsuits.



Bloomberg

The fund closed in December 2003, and Mayor Michael Bloomberg told a Senate panel that federal help is needed.

"The mere fact that their injuries and illnesses have been slower to emerge should not disqualify them from getting the help that they need," Bloomberg said.

Congress created the $7 billion September 11th Victim Compensation Fund soon after the attacks, and it became the subject of intense debate for the rules by which it distributed money. (AP)



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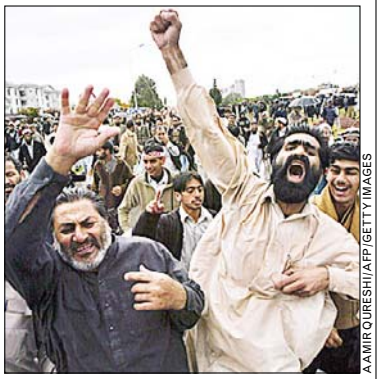


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ROYAL ROAD TRIP: Queen Elizabeth II and her husband, Prince Philip, will attend the Kentucky Derby and mark the 400th anniversary of English settlement in North America during a state visit to the U.S. in May, Buckingham Palace said Wednesday.

In Brief



AAMIR QURESHI/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Activists in Islamabad rally against the recent removal of Pakistan's top judge.

LAHORE, PAKISTAN

Lawyers Continue Protests Over Ousted Chief Justice

Angry lawyers scuffled with police as protests erupted across Pakistan Wednesday over the removal of nation's top judge, intensifying a crisis that threatens President Gen. Pervez Musharraf's grip on power. Musharraf suspended Iftikhar Mohammed Chaudhry, the chief justice of Pakistan's Supreme Court, on March 9 on unspecified allegations that the he abused his office. On Wednesday, about 3,000 lawyers rallied in Lahore, chanting anti-government slogans. (AP)

CAIRO, EGYPT

Opposition Group Plans To Boycott Amendment Vote

Egypt's banned main opposition group, the Muslim Brotherhood, said Wednesday that it will boycott a nationwide vote next week on proposed constitutional amendments, arguing the changes would set back democracy in this key U.S. ally in the Middle East. President Hosni Mubarak has billed the changes as part of a reform package aimed at increasing democracy in the country he has ruled unchallenged for a quarter-century. It would be the first major change in the constitution since 1971. (AP)

Fierce Fighting Erupts in Somalia

Battle rages between militants, government forces, leaving 16 dead

MOGADISHU, SOMALIA | Masked gunmen dragged slain soldiers through the streets of Somalia's capital Wednesday, then set the bodies on fire as jeering crowds threw rocks and kicked the dead after a fierce battle in a neighborhood loyal to Islamic insurgents.

At least 16 people were reported killed and dozens were wounded in the hours-long firefight, which was some of the heaviest fighting in Mogadishu since a radical Muslim militia was driven from the city in December after six months in power.

An Associated Press photographer saw six corpses — all soldiers for the U.N.-backed interim government or their Ethiopian allies — burned and mutilated while masked men shouted "God is great!" Women in head scarves and flowing dresses pounded one charred body with rocks.



MUSTAFA ABDI/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

GRUESOME SCENE: Gunmen dragged slain government soldiers through the streets of Mogadishu and set their bodies on fire Wednesday after an intense battle.

A similar scene in Mogadishu grabbed the world's attention in 1993 when militiamen shot down a U.S. Black Hawk helicopter during an attempt to capture a warlord and dragged around dead American soldiers. The Clinton administration pulled out U.S. troops, and U.N. peacekeepers soon followed suit, leaving Somalia to years of anarchy.

One masked man, Abdinasir Hussein, said he dragged a soldier's corpse behind his motorbike. He said he wanted to show that Somalis will defeat the "invaders," referring to the troops from neighboring Ethiopia that helped government forces defeat the Islamic militia.

"I'm happy to drag an Ethiopian soldier on the Mogadishu streets," Hussein said.

The fighting began when Somali and Ethiopian soldiers entered the insurgent stronghold in southern Mogadishu seeking to consolidate the government's control. But hundreds of masked gunmen were waiting, and shooting raged for hours.

MOHAMED OLAD HASSAN (AP)

Iran Warns of 'Illegal' Nuclear Steps

Khamenei lashes out against U.N. council action over nuke plans

TEHRAN, IRAN | Iran's top leader warned Wednesday his country will pursue "illegal actions" if the U.N. Security Council insists it halt uranium enrichment, an apparent reference to nuclear activities outside international regulations.

Ayatollah Ali Khamenei also warned the U.S. that Iran would fight back with "all its capacities" if attacked.

"Until today, what we have done has been in accordance with international regulations," Khamenei said. "But if they take illegal actions, we, too, can take illegal actions and will do so."



Khamenei

He did not elaborate on what the "illegal actions" could be, but Iran is a signatory to the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, the pact under which the U.N. inspections are held.

Iran says it will never give up its right under the treaty to enrich uranium and produce nuclear fuel. But it has offered to provide guarantees that its nuclear program won't be diverted toward weapons — as the U.S. and some of its allies fear.

The five permanent members of the Security Council — the U.S., Russia, China, Britain and France — and Germany have drawn up new sanctions to punish Iran for rejecting U.N. demands to halt enrichment — a process that can produce fuel for a reactor or fissile material for a nuclear warhead. (AP)

Chirac Endorses Rival Sarkozy

PARIS | After holding out for months, President Jacques Chirac on Wednesday endorsed fellow conservative Nicolas Sarkozy's bid to succeed him, despite long and sharp personal and political differences between them.

Chirac also said Sarkozy would quit as interior minister on Monday to devote himself fully to the close race. Sarkozy, who has held a small lead in the polls for months, has made breaking with the Chirac era a theme of his presidential campaign. (AP)

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World

Fresh Raids in Iraq Sweep

U.S., Iraqi forces enter volatile Sunni area as crackdown expands

BAGHDAD | Some 1,600 U.S. and Iraqi soldiers pushed into a dangerous Sunni Arab area of west Baghdad on Wednesday, searching houses in the expanding security crackdown, while at least 33 apparent victims of sectarian killings were found dumped across the capital.

The U.S. military said the armor-backed force that swept into the Ghazaliyah and Amariyah neighborhoods detained 31 people and found two weapons caches that included containers of nitric acid and chlorine, a toxic material used recently in bomb attacks.



MARKO DROBNJAKOVIC/AP

A woman leads her children past U.S. forces in Ghazaliyah, Iraq, Wednesday.

The move was certain to ease tensions with Shiite Muslims in districts to the east. They had complained bitterly of being hit by mortar shells that Sunni fighters fired from Ghazaliyah at will.

Police, meanwhile, said children had been used as decoys in a weekend car bombing in which the driver gained permission to park in a busy Shiite shopping area after he pointed out he was leaving his children in the back seat.

The bomb was exploded with the children still in the car, police said, perhaps signaling a new tactic by insurgents who are seeking to foment all-out civil war between Shiites and Sunnis.

A police commander in north Baghdad's Shaab neighborhood speculated the youngsters were kidnap victims. He and other police officers who reported the incident spoke on condition of anonymity.

The accounts appeared to confirm one given Tuesday in Washington by Maj. Gen. Michael Barbero, deputy director for regional operations on the Joint Staff.

Iraqi police reported that a total of 54 people were killed or found dead across the country Wednesday. STEVEN R. HURST (AP)

INDIA | DAILY ORDEALS FOR CLEAN WATER



MAHESH KUMAR A/AP

MAKING WAY: Women struggle to reach a mobile water tanker in a slum area in Hyderabad, India, on Wednesday. "Coping With Water Scarcity" is the theme for World Water Day 2007, which is marked by international organizations each year on March 22 to bring attention to water access issues.

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World

'I Dos' Ring Against Racism

Belgian mass wedding held to show support for city's black officiant



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MARRYING KIND: Flemish official Wouter Van Bellingen, right, presides over a wedding as part of a ceremony held Wednesday to send a message against racism.

SINT-NIKLAAS, BELGIUM | Wouter Van Bellingen has the name, the lingo, the clothes and the upbringing of your typical Flemish alderman.

One thing sets him apart: Van Bellingen is black in a mostly white city, and for that reason, three local couples refused to let him conduct their City Hall weddings.

"It was the most primitive form of racism. Nothing but the color of my skin," Van Bellingen, 34, said of the snub. The alderman, which is a type of local city official, was adopted by a Flemish family at birth and never knew his Rwandan parents.

But instead of lodging a discrimination complaint, he decided to organize a celebration of diversity. On Wednesday, he oversaw a ceremony of hundreds of couples vowing eternal love — and sending a message against racism.

Nearly 700 couples participated, either renewing their wedding vows or pledging to marry.

"Yes!" the couples shouted when Van Bellingen asked whether they were ready to commit to tying the knot. The ceremony, in a Belgian market square, was followed by a group hug, a huge photo, a "multicultural dessert buffet" and a dance.

Van Bellingen said his decision to hold the ceremony came from a lifetime of developing defenses against racist abuse.

"I do not feel scarred. It has been an enrichment, in a sense," he said in an interview. "You create a mechanism to put things in perspective. I do it with humor." RAF CASERT (AP)

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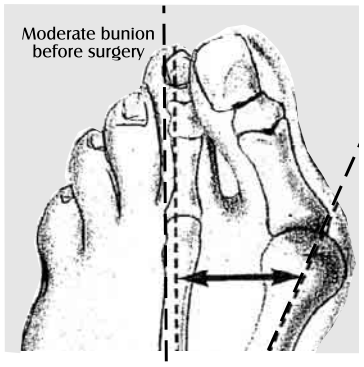
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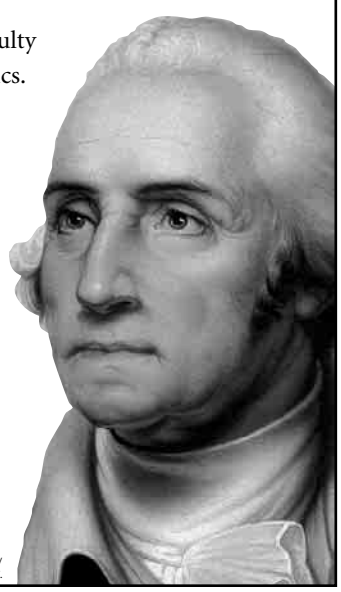
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Money

Fed Leaves Key Rate Unchanged

Wall Street rallies after decision to keep interest rates steady

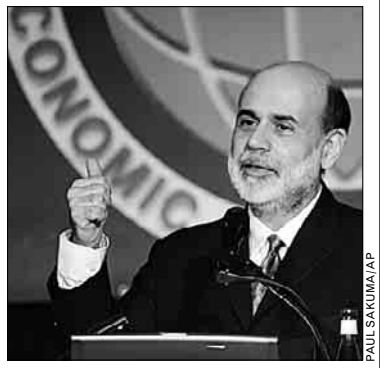
WASHINGTON | The Federal Reserve held interest rates steady on Wednesday and raised the possibility they could be cut in the months ahead, igniting a rally on Wall Street, where investors are thirsting for a reduction.

Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke and his central bank colleagues left an important interest rate unchanged at 5.25 percent, the sixth straight meeting without budging the rate. The decision was unanimous.

On Wall Street, stocks rose sharply. The Dow Jones industrials were up nearly 140 points in late afternoon trading.

The Fed's decision means that commercial banks' prime interest rate — for certain credit cards, home equity lines of credit and other loans — stays at 8.25 percent. The Fed has left rates alone since August, giving borrowers time to catch their breath after two years of steadily rising rates.

In an important shift, Fed policymakers got rid of language from previous policy statements that suggested their next move could be a rate increase. Instead, the Fed is now widening its options and raising the possibility that rates could go down.


PAUL SAKUMA/AP

Fed chief Ben Bernanke and the policy-making panel didn't raise interest rates.

Investors are betting the Fed will cut rates later this year to guard against any undue economic weakness. Many economists predict the central bank will probably start cutting rates early next year.

"The needle has shifted a little more to the center. I think they are more open to easing rates than they would have been several months back," said Lynn Reaser, chief economist at Bank of America's Investment Strategies Group. (AP)

In Brief

NEW YORK

Sirius Promotes Pricing Options in Bid to Buy XM

Sirius Satellite Radio Inc. is promising more programming choices and lower pricing options as part of an effort to convince federal regulators to approve its proposed acquisition of rival XM Satellite Radio Holdings Inc. In an application submitted to the Federal Communications Commission on Tuesday and disclosed in a regulatory filing on Wednesday, Sirius said the combined company would allow subscribers greater flexibility in choosing programming options, including a lower price if they elect to receive fewer channels. (AP)

WASHINGTON

New Rules Limit Ties Among FDA Panelists, Drug Makers

Outside experts with more than $50,000 in ties to drug and medical device companies regulated by the Food and Drug Administration would be barred from advising the agency under draft guidelines issued Wednesday. The conflict-of-interest guidelines would allow scientific experts who accept less than $50,000 in corporate grants, contracts and consulting fees — or hold less than that amount in company stock — to still serve on the FDA's advisory committees. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Fremont	10.19	+1.41	+16.1
AirTran	11.04	+1.00	+10.0
EmergBio n	13.46	+1.14	+9.3
TechOlyUS	5.71	+.46	+8.8
SGL Crb	10.56	+.81	+8.3

Losers

AAR	29.80	-2.91	-8.9
Valhi wi	11.00	-1.00	-8.3
ProQuest lf	8.31	-.69	-7.7
Stonerdg	10.30	-.79	-7.1
OilDri s	16.17	-1.13	-6.5

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
VyyoInc	6.31	+1.38	+28.0
OceanB	3.38	+.60	+21.6
Ampex	20.80	+3.05	+17.2
ICF Intl n	18.69	+2.48	+15.3
Iomai	4.90	+.05	+1.0

Losers

US AutoP n	6.49	-4.58	-41.4
FSI Intl	4.20	-.68	-13.9
AmritrnsC	4.99	-.50	-9.1
Cintas	37.18	-3.33	-8.2
Local.com	4.56	-.39	-7.9

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.25	5.25
3-month disc	4.92	4.92
2-year	4.58	4.53
10-year	4.54	4.51
30-year	4.71	4.69

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5079	.5100	.5722
Canadian Dollar	1.1541	1.1607	1.1628
European Euro	.7474	.7515	.8266
Japanese Yen	117.47	117.25	117.10
Mexican Peso	11.0278	11.1194	10.8250
Taiwanese Dollar	33.14	33.18	32.46

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STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AustNZ	118.59	+1.43	+6.3
BcoSnCH	18.30	+.43	-1.9
BkofAm	51.86	+1.10	-2.9
BkNova g	47.00	+.77	+4.9
Citigrp	52.03	+1.39	-6.6
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UBS AG s	60.43	+2.09	+.2
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NEW JOB: Ex-Sen. George Allen, whose demeanor and politics invited comparisons to Ronald Reagan, will be Young America's Foundation's Reagan Ranch Presidential Scholar.

Local

Fenty Rallies Citizens for D.C. Vote

In State of the District, mayor urges march to support embattled bill

WASHINGTON | Mayor Adrian M. Fenty on Wednesday urged residents to march on Capitol Hill next month to rally support for legislation that would give the District of Columbia a vote in Congress.

In his State of the District address, Fenty invited residents to march from Freedom Plaza to the Capitol on April 16.

"We are the only capital of a democracy in the world that has no vote in the national legislature," the mayor told hundreds of senior citizens at a wellness center in Southeast Washington.

The United States "brought democracy to Baghdad before bringing it home to the District," he said.



RICKY CARIOTI/TWP

Southeast resident Verna Mae Shelton approaches Mayor Adrian Fenty after the State of the District Wednesday. Fenty is pushing for D.C. to have a vote in Congress.

Fenty called for residents' support one day after the White House threatened to veto legislation giving the District a vote in the House.

The bill, which the House is to vote on Friday, would give a full seat to the heavily Democratic District and add another seat for Utah, which is solidly Republican. Utah narrowly missed obtaining a fourth House seat after the 2000 census.

The District has fought for decades to gain a voting seat in Congress. Currently, Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton can vote only in committees and on amendments to legislation. (AP)

Smithsonian Art Museums Are 'Underfunded'

WASHINGTON | The Smithsonian Institution's eight art museums are "drastically underfunded" and have "seldom lived up to their names," according to an external review released Wednesday.

The voluntary review by a panel of seven prominent museum directors gives recommendations to strengthen each museum and is similar to an external examination of the Smithsonian's science programs in 2003. The review was adopted by the Smithsonian Board of Regents in January, though it was not released until Wednesday.

The Smithsonian receives nearly $640 million annually from the federal government, but a spokesperson was unable to say how much goes toward the art museums. The report said the museums need more money for staffing and facilities. (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: The Prince George's County Council voted unanimously to reduce the number of licenses available for pawn shops from 38 to 31. (AP)

Metro to Move Side Mirrors on Buses

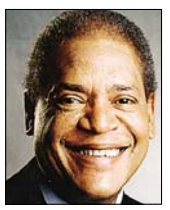
GM orders change to aid drivers' sightlines in wake of accidents

Metro General Manager John B. Catoe has ordered the repositioning of side mirrors on 15 buses to try to improve sightlines for drivers following several recent accidents, including two involving drivers who killed pedestrians after making left turns.

The mirrors will be moved on a trial basis on Orion V buses, the same model involved in three accidents that resulted in the deaths of four pedestrians since January, said Metro spokeswoman Joanne Ferreira.

The Metrobus that rear-ended a car in downtown Washington last week was also an Orion V, she said.

Catoe said yesterday bus supervisors informed him about the mirror concerns during recent agency-wide discussions about ways to improve bus safety.



Catoe

"Some drivers have said — through the supervisors — that the mirrors could block their view from certain angles on the driver's side," he said.

Catoe said he did not know of any information linking the mirrors to the recent accidents.

After the Feb. 14 Metrobus accident in which two Alexandria women were struck and killed by a Metrobus driver turning left from northbound Seventh Street onto Pennsylvania Avenue NW, "there was a lot of discussion from employees" about system safety, Catoe said.

The bus supervisors raised the concerns about the mirrors, and even though "we don't know if there is any connection" to the accidents, Catoe asked for changes to be made.

LENA H. SUN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Adjustable view: Metro has begun installing new brackets on buses that will allow drivers to move mirrors up and down, which they can't do now. | **Today's Post,**

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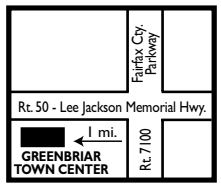


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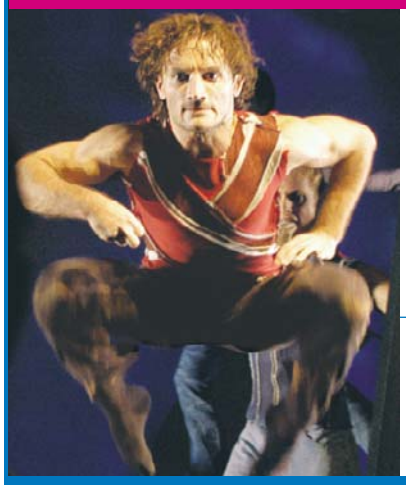
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BETTER THAN A FOREMAN: Manny Ramirez, who is under contract for $160 million, is selling his grill on eBay. The Red Sox slugger bought the grill for $4,000, but coupled with an autographed baseball, the high bid was more than $20,000. "I need the money," he joked.



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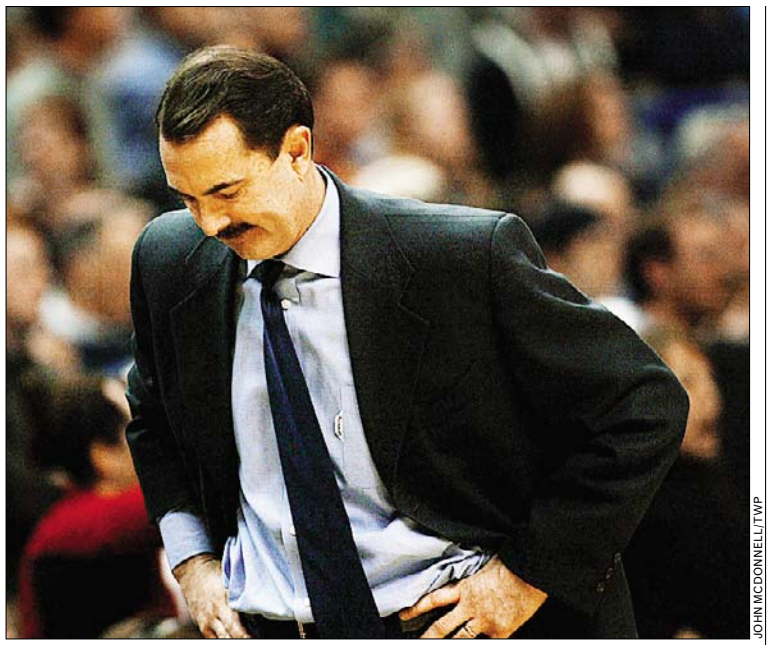
Old Coach Proud of New Success

Esherick recruited both Green and Hibbert to play at Georgetown

HOYAS HOOPS | The coach who persuaded Jeff Green and Roy Hibbert to come to Georgetown can only watch from a distance and wonder what might have been.

While the two juniors have led the Hoyas back to the national stage and become arguably the most popular students on campus, the man who recruited them was chased away three years ago this month as students and alumni were on the verge of revolt.

Craig Esherick was fired on March 16, 2004, the day before a protest rally was scheduled to take place in front of the university president's office. Organizers, upset over the Hoyas' worst season in 31 years, had collected some 3,700 signatures calling for the coach's dismissal.



JOHN MCDONNELL/TWP

Georgetown coach Craig Esherick was run out of town in 2004 after the Hoyas' worst season in 31 years, but before he left he recruited Jeff Green and Roy Hibbert.

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"My time at Georgetown, but for a very small period of time, was a wonderful period of time in my life," Esherick said this week in an interview with The Associated Press. "Some of my best friends in my life I met while I was there."

What he left behind was a legacy that even the most die-hard "Fire Esherick" campaigner could appreciate. After years of falling behind in the recruiting battles for the top names from the local area, Esherick was able to sign Green from Northwestern High and Hibbert from Georgetown Prep.

Green is now the Big East player of the year, and Hibbert has evolved from awkward athlete to imposing 7-foot-2 center. They are the two leading scorers for the Hoyas (28-6), who will face Vanderbilt (22-11) on Friday at the Meadowlands in the NCAA tournament's round of 16.

The junior class also includes reserve Tyler Crawford, an Esherick recruit whom current coach John Thompson III calls the leader of the team.

"No question about it, I definitely have a sense of pride that they're doing so well and that they've had such good careers," Esherick said. "I'm certainly very happy for all three of them." JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

Redskins Sign New Safety

Announcement of the Archuleta trade is delayed until Thursday

REDSKINS | With safety Adam Archuleta on the way out, the Redskins signed free agent Omar Stoutmire to take his place Wednesday.

Stoutmire, a 10-year veteran, played for the Redskins in 2005 and spent last season with New Orleans. He joins Vernon Fox and Reed Doughty as the safeties expected to compete for playing time behind starters Sean Taylor and Pierson Prioleau. Stoutmire has also played with Dallas, the New York Jets and New York Giants.

The Redskins agreed Tuesday night to trade the disgruntled Archuleta to Chicago for a sixth-round draft pick. The teams were expected to complete the trade Wednesday, but the announcement was delayed until Thursday while the Bears arranged for Archuleta take a physical. (AP)

Colonials Look Back for Guidance

GW beat top-seeded North Carolina in a similar situation in '97

COLONIALS WOMEN'S HOOPS | George Washington coach Joe McKeown clutched a manila folder as he sat in the stands during practice Wednesday, discussing his team's round-of-16 NCAA women's tournament game against top-seeded North Carolina.

Labeled "2007 NCAA Tourney, Dallas Regional," the folder held sheets filled with scribbling about strategy. McKeown also wrote this reminder on the top page: "Call Notre Dame."

He does plan to seek tips from Irish coach Muffet McGraw, whose team led the Tar Heels in the second half before losing a second-round game Tuesday night. McKeown also can rely on his own know-how, though, given that the highlight of GW's program was an upset of UNC in the 1997 tournament.

Just as it was back then, GW is seeded fifth. Once again, UNC is seeded No. 1. And, in the most significant parallel, a spot in the final eight is at stake.



PHOTO CREDIT

George Washington's Jazmine Adair, left, and Sarah-Jo Lawrence swarm Damitra Buchanan of Texas A&M during the Colonials' win over the Aggies on Monday.

"Beating a North Carolina in the tournament, which is not easy, would kind of reincarnate our program on a national level," McKeown said. "Even getting to the round of 16 has been a good push for us. We just want to keep going, because you just don't know how many times you're going to get back here."

The Colonials (28-3) were ranked as high as No. 8 this season and owned a 19-game winning streak until they were surprised by Saint Joseph's in the A-10 tournament semifinals.

"This is my first time going to the Sweet 16 and it's GW's first time in a long time," guard Sarah-Jo Lawrence said. "I'm tired of losing in the second round." HOWARD FENDRICH (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

CAPITALS (7 P.M. ON COMCAST) The Caps don't get much time to rest, traveling from Wednesday's game in Buffalo to Carolina to play the Hurricanes.

NCAA TOURNAMENT (7 P.M. ON CBS) The night starts with Memphis playing Texas A&M and Southern Illinois playing Kansas. Those games are followed by Tennessee-Ohio State and Pittsburgh-UCLA.

BASEBALL (1 P.M. ON ESPN) With less than two weeks until opening day, preseason baseball is getting semi-serious. Today, Boston plays Philadelphia in Florida.

MEN'S TOURNAMENT

GAME TIMES

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Kansas V Southern Illinois, **7:10 P.M.**

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Oregon V UNLV, **9:40 P.M.**

UNC V Southern Cal., **9:57 P.M.**

Sports



"I owe somebody 10 bucks. I bet a fan if I had a chance, I would make the last shot." —**Wizards guard Gilbert Arenas** on missing a potential game-tying shot in a 100-98 loss to Portland on Tuesday night.

Senior Lewis Is Columbus' Big Man

9:57 P.M. | CBS
THURSDAY

The guard is a campus celebrity since hitting a game-tying 3-pointer

NCAA TOURNAMENT | When Ron Lewis' name was announced at Ohio State's winter graduation Sunday, there was a loud roar from the thousands packed into St. John Arena.

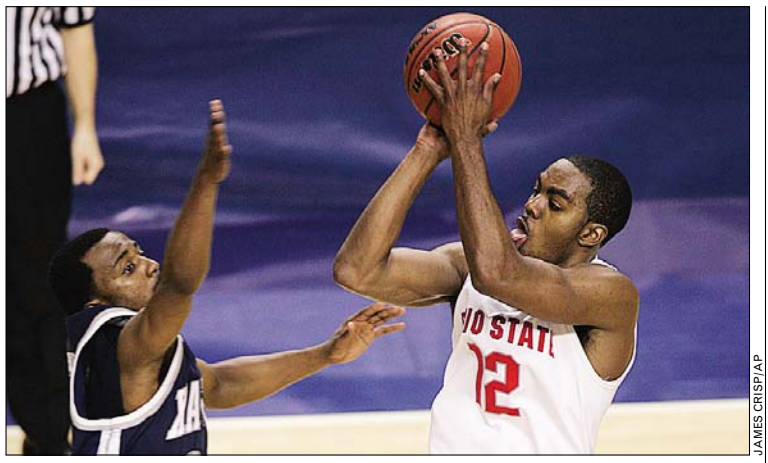
Lewis is the big man on campus after his clutch 3-pointer forced overtime against Xavier last Saturday. Now, the Buckeyes, who won that game 78-71, are on their way to San Antonio for a regional semifinal game against Tennessee on Thursday night.

"It's been a whirlwind," he said. "Before all this happened, people don't really know you. Now you come back after two days and people just want to meet you and tell you congratulations and thank you."

It was another Lewis 3 with 11.2 seconds left on Jan. 13 that provided the go-ahead basket in Ohio State's 68-66 victory over Tennessee. The shot also served as a dividing line for the Buckeyes' season, kicking off a 19-game winning streak.

Ohio State is convinced it's a far better team than it was the last time it met Tennessee.

"We're playing probably 10 times better," Lewis said. "We're more confident in ourselves. We've got our rhythm." RUSTY MILLER (AP)



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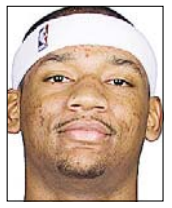
Ohio State senior Ron Lewis, right, hits a 3-pointer over Drew Lavender of Xavier to tie the game in the closing seconds of the Buckeyes' 78-71 overtime win on Saturday.

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Wizards Sign Hall for the Rest Of the Season

WIZARDS | Forward Mike Hall signed with the Washington Wizards for the rest of the season Wednesday, following two 10-day contracts.



Hall

Hall, a rookie out of George Washington, has not appeared in a regular-season game with the Wizards. He originally signed as an undrafted free agent in September and played in five preseason games for the team.

Hall averaged 15.6 points and 8.5 rebounds in 29 games in the NBA Development League and rejoined the Wizards on Feb. 28. (AP)

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Sports

Gordon Emerges for Caps

Young center stands out for his willingness to get back on defense

CAPITALS | Boyd Gordon lists his favorite movie as "Gladiator," which featured a soldier of relatively slight stature and relatively few words going about his relatively dirty job with ruthless efficiency.

It's an appropriate choice for the 23-year-old center who quietly but confidently has emerged as the Caps' top defensive forward in his first full NHL season.

"Consistency; hard work day in, day out; intelligence," are the characteristics that separate Gordon from the Caps' abundance of checking forwards, coach Glen Hanlon said. "He's a solid professional, and his commitment to fitness has made him a bigger, stronger player."

Very generously listed at 6-feet-1, Gordon is proof that defenders are made rather than born. He credits his father, who was his youth coach in Saskatchewan, with teaching the value of solid two-way play. Gordon took that ethos to the juniors in Alberta and the minors in Hershey, Pa., and won a championship at each stop. He's under contract with the Caps through next season.

"Not everyone can score. You may be a scorer in juniors, but, at this level, it's pretty tough," he said.



MANUEL BALCE CENETA/AP

Boyd Gordon, left, fights for the puck during a game with Toronto. The 23-year-old stands out , coach Glen Hanlon says, because of his consistency and hard work.

"A lot of centers are bigger than me. I just have to be in good position, have a good stick and know that, if you're two seconds late or in the wrong spot, you're in trouble."

Hanlon routinely matches Gordon against the opposition's top line, and his plus-10 rating still is the best on the team. He's also a fixture on the penalty kill and leads the Caps in face-off win percentage.

And he's started to add some scoring to his list of contributions. Goals in both games last weekend, including one that finished a beautiful, Globetrotters-like sequence against Tampa Bay, lifted his total this season to five and marked the first time he tallied in consecutive NHL games. He also has 20 assists.

"What I've tried to do is just find that defensive thing, be real solid in my own end and chip in when I can — just work hard every night and see if I can truly establish myself as an NHL player," he said. BRIAN STRAUS

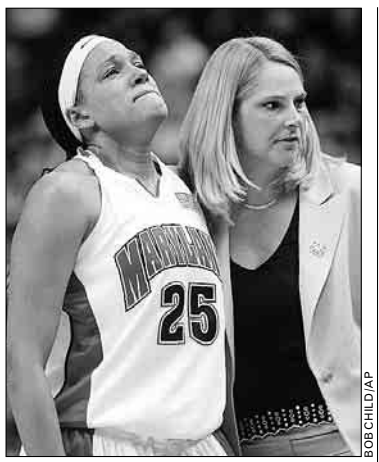
Repeat Is Not in the Cards for Terps

Maryland falls victim to expectations and Mississippi's press

TERPS WOMEN'S HOOPS | With all five starters returning, Maryland was all set to make a run at a second straight NCAA championship.

It wasn't enough to keep the Terps from falling into Mississippi's trap, and the defending NCAA champions never got out.

Ole Miss (23-10) used its stifling defense to steal the ball 15 times and score 42 points off 29 Maryland turnovers, and the Rebels upset the No. 2 seed Terrapins 89-78 in the Dayton Regional on Tuesday night.



BOB CHILD/AP

Maryland coach Brenda Frese comforts Marissa Coleman after Tuesday's loss.

"It's a different animal — the expectations, the pressure you put on yourself, or that the media places on you each and every time they mention your name," Maryland coach Brenda Frese said. "When you're a winner and a champion, those are the expectations you want when you are a dominant program."

Armintie Price scored 28 points to lead the Rebels, who were blown out by the Terps 110-79 at a tournament in the Bahamas in November. (AP)

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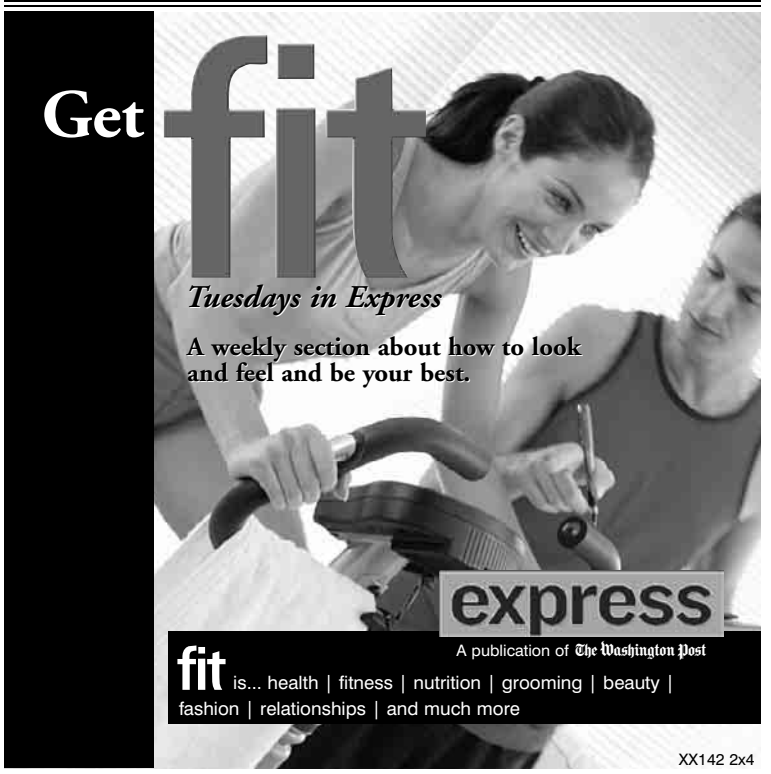
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Friendly Coaches Meet in Sweet 16

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Old friends face off at the only place they ever will — the tournament

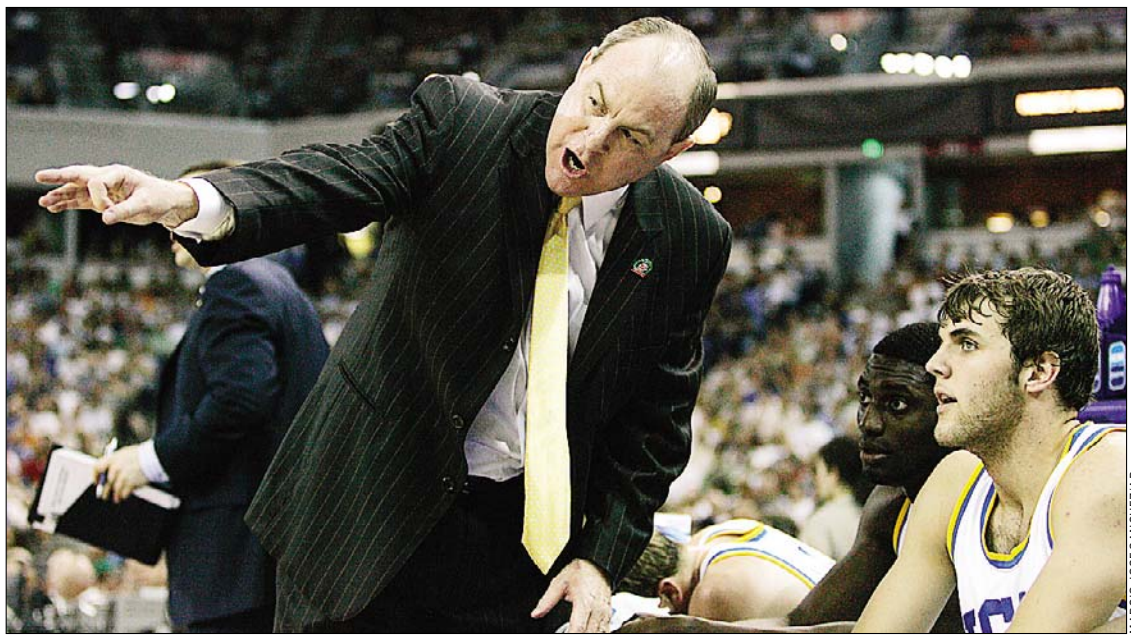
NCAA TOURNAMENT | UCLA coach Ben Howland left quite a legacy at Pittsburgh, including his longtime assistant, Jamie Dixon.

Howland turned Pitt's basketball program around during his time there, going 89-40 from 1999 to 2003 — his same record now at UCLA — and guiding the Panthers to two appearances in the round of 16.

Dixon stepped in when Howland left for Westwood, and has a 105-29 record and also twice has taken the Panthers into the round of 16.

The two friends meet again Thursday night at San Jose, when Howland's Bruins (28-5) face Dixon's Panthers (29-7) in the West Regional semifinals.

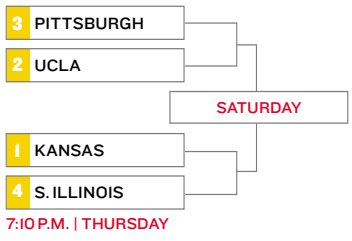
"This is the only game I'll never be pulling for Pitt. I know Jamie pulls for us," Howland said this week during a conference call. "Win or lose, we're still going to be best friends for life."



MARCIO JOSE SANCHEZ/AP

UCLA coach Ben Howland talks with James Keefe, right, and Alfred Aboya, second from right, during Saturday's game.

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Dixon, 41, was an assistant on Howland's staff at UC Santa Barbara, then at Northern Arizona before the two joined up again at Pitt.

The Bruins' coach said they wouldn't have scheduled a non-conference game against each other, so the only way the schools would meet would be in the NCAA tournament. The teams have played only six times, with UCLA winning five but the Panthers taking the most recent game, a 91-79 victory at home in 1992.

The matchup in San Jose is their first in the NCAA tournament.

"The good news is somebody, either UCLA or Pitt, is going to be playing for a chance to get to the Final Four," Howland said.

KEN PETERS (AP)

Aggies Are Tough Test For Tigers

Memphis has won 24 straight but is haunted by its weak schedule

NCAA TOURNAMENT | A 24-game winning streak hasn't convinced everyone that Memphis is a legitimate national championship contender.

After all, the second-seeded Tigers didn't get much of a challenge from their Conference USA rivals, none of which made the NCAA tournament. Counting North Texas and Nevada, the two teams Memphis beat to get to the South Regional semifinals, the Tigers have defeated five teams that made the NCAA's field of 65.

It's safe to say that Thursday's game in San Antonio against Texas A&M will be the Tigers' toughest test in months.

The Aggies (27-6) went 13-3 in the much tougher Big 12 conference, with signature wins over Kansas and Texas. They're the No. 3 seed, but the oddsmakers have made them a three-point favorite. (AP)

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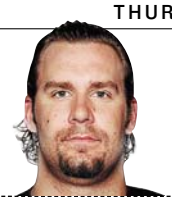
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"Who knows? I'm not going to look back and say, 'Wow, this is what caused this and this is what caused that.' There's no need for that. It was a bad year."

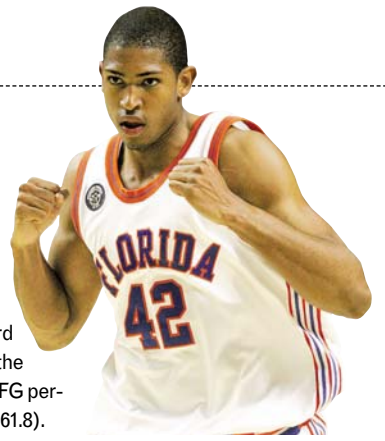
— **Steelers QB Ben Roethlisberger** to the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette on whether his motorcycle crash caused his subpar season.



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Florida's Al Horford is 12th in the nation in FG percentage (61.8).

Midwest Region
March 23 and 25

Regional Semifinals

- 1 FLORIDA (31-5)
- 5 BUTLER (29-6)
- 3 OREGON (28-7)
- 7 UNLV (30-6)

Regional Finals

West Region
March 22 and 24

- 1 KANSAS (32-4)
- 4 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (29-6)
- 3 PITTSBURGH (29-7)
- 2 UCLA (28-5)

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Ohio State's Greg Oden is averaging 15.6 points and 9.8 rebounds per game.

East Region
March 23 and 25

Regional Semifinals

- 1 NORTH CAROLINA (30-6)
- 5 USC (25-11)
- 6 VANDERBILT (22-11)
- 2 GEORGETOWN (28-6)

Regional Finals

South Region
March 22 and 24

- 1 OHIO STATE (32-3)
- 5 TENNESSEE (24-10)
- 3 TEXAS A&M (27-6)
- 2 MEMPHIS (32-3)

Regional Finals

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DAVID J. PHILLIP/AP

Reyshawn Terry, front, scored 14 points to help UNC beat the Spartans last week.

UNC's Terry Is Diagnosed With Strep Throat

NCAA TOURNAMENT | North Carolina senior Reyshawn Terry has been diagnosed with strep throat, but was expected to play against Southern California in Friday night's East Regional semifinal.

Terry has been sick for nearly a week, starting when he missed the shootaround because of a headache and fever before the Tar Heels' second-round win against Michigan State.

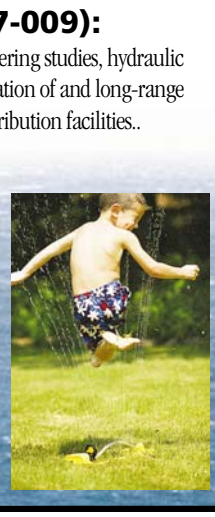
Terry followed that by missing two days of practice.

He is averaging 9.8 points for the Tar Heels (30-6) and scored 12 of his 14 points in the second half to help hold off the Spartans on Saturday. (AP)

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BANNED IN BAGHDAD: A music store in Sulaimaniyah, 180 miles from Iraq's capital.

Violence & Silence

Iraqis must contend with extremists who want to destroy music

SOUND OF SADNESS | Farouk Hassan's eyes well up as he cranks his car's CD player and sings along with a lament to his lost love: violence-torn Baghdad. But it is not just the song's lyrics that encapsulate the tragedy of Baghdad's bloodshed. The pop star singing the tune, the man listening to it and even the music shop employees who sold him the CD are among the thousands who have fled the Iraqi capital.

Navigating the streets of Sulaimaniyah, 180 miles north of Baghdad, Hassan points out that his friends back home cannot even listen to music in public, fearing they will draw the attention of Islamic militants who consider pop music a corrupting force. "A song can wrap a person in all these emotions; it's really amazing," said Hassan, wiping away the tears from his eyes. The music can "truly move people who are missing home."

Approximately 1.8 million Iraqis have fled the country in nearly four years of violence since the fall of Saddam Hussein. A similar number have left their homes to take refuge elsewhere in Iraq, many in the northern Kurdistan region, which has largely been spared the turmoil. Amid the chaos, Shiite and Sunni Muslim extremists have grown bolder in enforcing religious strictures — forcing stores selling CDs and DVDs to shut down. Sometimes, employees of those shops have been killed.

At Sulaimaniyah's Aldar Albaidaa music store, where Hassan is a regular customer, one of the employees — Ammar — knows all too well the dangers of the music business. Ammar once ran a music store in eastern Baghdad. But followers of radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr came to his shop and told him to shut it down. "You infidel and devil-follower ... you deserve to die for pushing Muslims to corruption and adultery," said the letter they left. Ammar said he did not take the threat seriously at first. Then men sprayed his shop with gunfire, destroying it and wounding him.

A few days later, he left his family and college studies behind and fled to Sulaimaniyah. OMAR SINAN (AP)

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JAILED: Fox has locked up "Prison Break" for a third season. Everything's top secret about what will happen, but brothers Michael (Wentworth Miller) and Lincoln (Dominic Purcell) and their fellow fugitives could end up behind bars again, possibly in Panama.



Television

ON TV TONIGHT

THE REAL 'MYTHBUSTERS'

PENN & TELLER: BULL----! (10 p.m., Showtime) returns for a fifth season. The celebrated team of illusionists skewers widely accepted beliefs and challenges politically correct concepts. Think of John Stossel with more brains, a sense of humor, a penchant for obscenities and a little gratuitous nudity tossed in, and you have "Bull----!" Tonight's episode explodes the notion of an obesity epidemic. Other topics to be tackled this season include satanic conspiracy theories, the Americans with Disabilities Act and Wal-Mart and its critics.

180 MINUTES OF SCI-FI WHIMSY

Check out three consecutive hours of **EUREKA** (7 p.m., Sci Fi), the whimsical fantasy set in a remote town peopled by the gifted and brilliant.



CLIFF LIPSON/SHOWTIME

NO MORE ... Penn & Teller cut the crap on their funny-serious Showtime show.

JEFF GOLDBLUM'S MENTAL HELP

A washed-up murder victim may be linked to the immigration debate on **RAINES** (10 p.m., NBC). Madeleine Stowe joins the cast as Raines' therapist.

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Radio on the TV

'This American Life' makes the jump from PRI to Showtime

MEDIUMS | The popular PRI public-radio series "This American Life" (10:30 p.m., Showtime) and its host, Ira Glass, make their TV debut. Since 1995, Glass' Chicago-based series has found a faithful audience with its hour-long presentations of first-person storytelling. Every show has a theme, such as honesty, deception or destiny, and each is presented and guided by Glass' deceptively laid-back style.

Glass has a talent for finding the big ideas in the small details. My favorite "American Life" concerns a caustic and obscene message left on a college student's answering machine by her own mother. Her roommate finds the withering missive hilarious and forwards it to a friend, and, before long, the tirade becomes an odd example of viral communication, making the student, and her somewhat chastened mother, unwitting celebrities on campus and beyond.

The first TV episode of "This American Life" features a Texas rancher who has his beloved bull cloned only to discover that bovine looks can be deceiving. And an improvisational street-theater group pretends to be a rapturous audience for an obscure bar band.

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A FACE FOR RADIO? Will Ira Glass and "This American Life" translate to TV?

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	WTTG 5	Seinfeld CC	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Seinfeld CC	Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Family Guy CC	American Dad	News		News	Every-Raymond
	WJLA 7	News CC	ABC Wld News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Ugly Betty "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" (N)		Grey's Anatomy (N) CC		(:01) October Road (N) CC		News CC	(:35) Nightline
	WUSA 9	News CC	Evening News	College Basketball NCAA Tournament Regional Semifinal -- Teams TBA. (Live) CC					College Basketball NCAA Tournament Regional Semifinal -- Teams TBA. (Live) CC				
	WDCA 20	Scrubs CC	Scrubs CC	Judge Joe Brown	Judge Judy (N)	★★★ "Insomnia" (2002, Suspense) Al Pacino, Robin Williams. CC				The Tyra Banks Show CC		Still Standing	Still Standing
	WMPT 22	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Business Rpt.	Business Conn.	MotorWeek CC	This Old House	Great Performances "Barenboim on Beethoven" (N) CC				P.O.V. CC	
	WETA 26	BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Suze Orman: Women & Money Information about financial matters. CC				Great Performances "Jerry Lee Lewis: Last Man Standing Live" CC			
	WHUT 32	Tony Brown	Tavis Smiley	BBC World News	Moneywise	Ray Charles and His Trio: Live at the Olympia			Alma's Marriage	BBC World News	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose (N) CC	
	WDCW 50	My Wife and Kids	My Wife and Kids	Friends CC	Friends CC	Smallville "Combat" (N) CC		Supernatural "Heart" (N) CC		Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Sex and the City	Sex and the City
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	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries CC		The Most Extreme "Disguise" CC		Conservation Nation (N)		Jane Goodall's Heroes CC		Animal Planet Heroes Phoenix (N)		Conservation Nation	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live (N) CC			The Black Carpet	Run's House	College Hill CC	The Wire "Sentencing" CC			Comicview CC	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx
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	Court	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Cops CC	Cops CC	Hot Pursuit	Hot Pursuit	World's Scariest Police Chases 3		Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Psychic Detect	Hollywood Heat
	Discovery	It Takes a Thief Beachfront cottage.		MythBusters Three gun myths. CC		MythBusters "Dog Myths" CC		MythBusters "Pirate Special" Pirate ship battles. CC				Stunt Junkies	Stunt Junkies
	DISCH	Code Blue "Sweet Charity" CC		Impact: Stories of Survival CC		Fresh-Snow	Fresh-Snow	The Dan Ho Show	The Dan Ho Show	Dr. G: Medical Examiner		Fresh-Snow	Fresh-Snow
	Disney	Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	Phil of the Future	Zack & Cody	★★ "Double Teamed" (2002, Drama) Annie McElwain, Poppi Monroe.				Life With Derek	Phil of the Future	Zack & Cody	That's So Raven
	E!	High 90210	High 90210	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	50 Most Shocking Celebrity Confessions Celebrity confessions.				Girl Next Door	Girl Next Door	E! News	The Daily 10
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	HGTV	Look What I Did!	Small Space	If Walls Could	House Hunters	Designed to Sell	Buy Me	Divine Design (N)	Landscapers	House Hunters (N)	House Hunters	Over Your Head	Don't Sweat It
	Family	7th Heaven "Ay Carumba" CC		Smallville "Red" CC		★★ "A Cinderella Story" (2004) Hilary Duff, Jennifer Coolidge. CC				Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club CC	
	History	Man, Moment, Machine CC		Modern Marvels: Ink CC		Ku Klux Klan: A Secret History CC				Modern Marvels: Tobacco Tobacco.		Modern Marvels: Cotton CC	
	Lifetime	Reba "As Is"	Reba CC	Still Standing	Still Standing	Reba CC	Reba "The Rings"	"You Belong to Me Forever" (1998) Claire Rankin, Julian McMahon. CC				Will & Grace	Will & Grace
	MTV	Parental Control	Date My Mom	Juvies "Dale; Jeff" Lapse in judgment.		Juvies Running from police.		True Life "I Hurt Myself" (N)		Juvies Drug-abusing mother. (N)		Wild n Out	Wild n Out
	NICK	Ned's School	Tigre: Rivera	Fairly OddParents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Full House CC	Full House CC	Full House CC	Roseanne CC	Roseanne CC	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 "Forsaken" CC		Eureka "Before I Forget" CC		Eureka "Alienated" CC		Eureka "Invincible" CC		Eureka "Dr. Nobel" CC		Eureka "Blink" CC	
	SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		TNA Wrestling Impact! CC		Pros vs. Joes (N)		Bullrun	
	TBS	Seinfeld CC	Seinfeld CC	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Friends CC	Friends CC	Friends CC	Friends CC	★★ "Fools Rush In" (1997) Matthew Perry, Salma Hayek, Jon Tenney. CC			
	TLC	Flip That House	Flip That House	American Chopper CC		American Hot Rod "'57 Chevy 3" (N)		American Chopper		American Chopper CC		American Hot Rod "'57 Chevy 3"	
	TNT	Law & Order "Under God"		Law & Order "Coming Down Hard"		Law & Order "Fixed" CC (DVS)		Law & Order "Can I Get a Witness?"		Law & Order "America, Inc."		Law & Order "Undercovered"	
	USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent CC		Law & Order: Criminal Intent CC		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		The Dresden Files CC		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
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NEWS	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC		The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now CC		Larry King Live CC		Anderson Cooper 360 CC			
	FNC	Special Report (Live) CC		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (Live) CC		Hannity & Colmes (Live) CC		On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor	
	MSNBC	Tucker		Hardball CC		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		Scarborough Country		Catch Him If You Can		MSNBC Reports: To Catch a Predator	
MOVIES	AMC	(4:00) ★★★★ "Dances With Wolves" (1990) Kevin Costner. 'PG-13'				★★ "Conan the Barbarian" (1982, Adventure) Arnold Schwarzenegger, James Earl Jones. 'R'					★★ "Commando" (1985) Arnold Schwarzenegger. 'R'		
	TCM	★★★ "Suspicion" (1941, Suspense) Cary Grant. 'NR' CC (DVS)				★★★★ "In Which We Serve" (1942, War) Noel Coward, John Mills. 'NR'				★★ "Island in the Sky" (1953, Drama) John Wayne. Premiere. 'NR'			
	HBO	Just Like Heaven	Mak. 16 Blocks	★★ "The Transporter 2" (2005) Jason Statham. 'PG-13'			"Life Support" (2007, Drama) Queen Latifah. CC			Big Love "Pilot" CC		Shock Video	Blades of Glory
	MAX	(:15) ★★★ "Twister" (1996, Action) Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton. 'PG-13' CC				(:15) ★★★ "Dirty Harry" (1971, Crime Drama) Clint Eastwood. 'R' CC				★★ "The Sentinel" (2006, Suspense) Michael Douglas. 'PG-13' CC			
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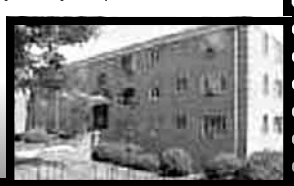
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TREASURE IN THE HILLS: The "Pueblo Fantasma," or ghost town, is near the old mining town of Real de Catorce, Mexico.

Travel

Border Crossings

A passport is not needed for a quick adventure in Mexico

So you want to go to Mexico, but you don't have a passport?

With just a driver's license or birth certificate, Americans can cross the border and spend a day buying trinkets and even a bottle of tequila from one of Mexico's border owns, scattered between Tijuana and Matamoros. Or, if you have a long weekend and want to explore farther south, you can take a bus to old mining towns that seem untouched by time, like the mountaintop Real de Catorce.

Once in Mexico, you can travel to major cities on luxury buses that make limited stops and include bathrooms, air conditioning, spacious assigned seats and movies. But beware: You might have to endure hours of kung fu flicks dubbed in Spanish. Buses to small towns are usually second-class, and you might find yourself sharing a ride with a goat or a chicken.

Even if you don't want to venture far, there are plenty of drive-to destinations in Mexico, including Barrancas del Cobre, or Copper Canyon, a national park filled with pine-clad mountains, precipitous canyons and picturesque Indian villages in the border state of Chihuahua.

If you're looking for a warm getaway, there are beach towns along Mexico's Pacific coast. Puerto Penasco, on the coast of Sonora state, and Rosarito, just across from San Diego, are favorite weekend destinations for many U.S. travelers.

A favorite destination for Texans is Real de Catorce, a former mining town of 1,000 people tucked on top of a 9,000-foot-tall mountain. Featuring cobblestone streets and colonial buildings, the town is a good option for those looking for a taste of Old Mexico but without hordes of tourists.

All foreigners traveling beyond the border area need to get a tourist visa, an importation permit for their vehicles and Mexican car insurance. All can be purchased at the border.

It's best to travel only during the day, and stick to toll roads, which are generally in better shape and have "Green Angels," crews in green trucks who help motorists in distress. Also, carry plenty of pesos, as toll roads usually take dollars but offer an unfavorable exchange rate.

Road signs in Mexico can be confusing or nonexistent, and some may even point you in the wrong direction. Bring a map and don't be shy about asking for directions. Most locals will try to be helpful, even if they can only guide you with hand signs.

Be aware that you will likely come across army checkpoints throughout Mexico, with soldiers searching for drugs and guns. They may ask to search your vehicle.

But the trip is well worth the trouble. Visitors are treated to a stunning landscape, like rugged hills, deserts full of Joshua trees, pine-covered mountains, cliffs that plunge into the ocean and towns that look like sets of Old Westerns.

OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ (AP)

BORDER-BOUND

Some quick tips for a safe drive in America's southern neighbor:

➜ It is best to stay on toll roads, which can be expensive but are generally safer and in better condition than regular roads.

➜ Avoid driving at night whenever possible, especially on back roads.

➜ Be sure to get an importation permit at the border for your car.

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Author chronicles the evolving definition of our favorite emotion

Darrin McMahon still cannot define happiness after spending six years researching and writing a book about it.

While that has been a frustration, the Florida State University history professor said it is also what gives happiness its power and allure.

His book "Happiness: A History" traces what the great thinkers of Western philosophy have thought about happiness. They include Aristotle, Socrates, Locke, Rousseau, Darwin, Marx, Freud and Thomas Jefferson, who famously counted "the pursuit of happiness" as an "unalienable right" in the U.S. Declaration of Independence.

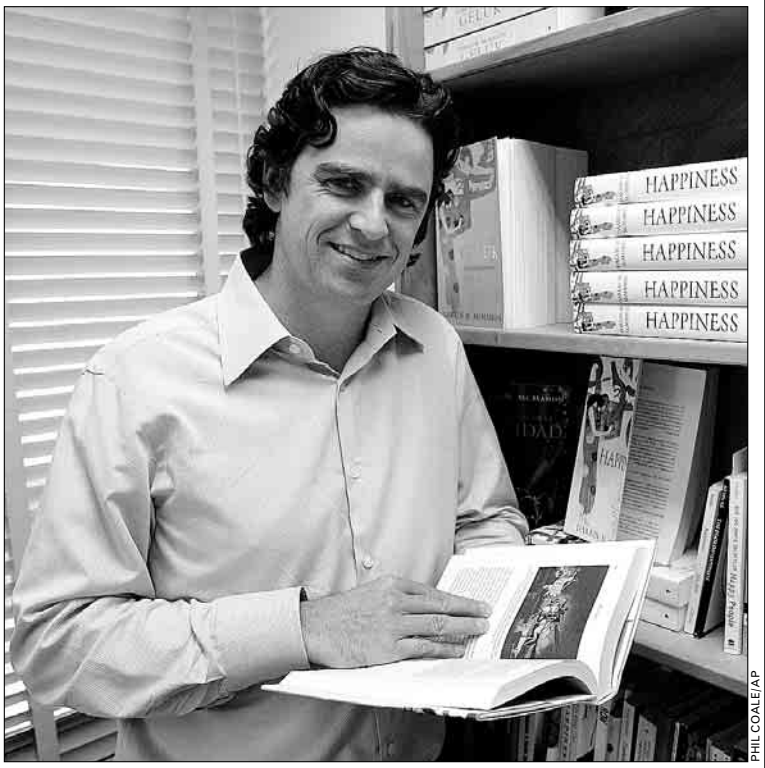
"The book is more about the pursuit than the attainment because in some ways you never get there," McMahon said in an interview.

> "If you ask somebody today what happiness is, they'll inevitably tell you that it involves feeling good."
>
> **DARRIN MCMAHON**, AUTHOR

McMahon got the idea for the book while teaching at Columbia University in New York during the 1990s. The Berlin Wall had fallen and the world appeared to be headed for democracy. The stock market was booming and most people seemed to be prospering.

"Happiness was in the air," McMahon recalled. "Clinique, the cosmetics company, came out with a perfume called Happy."

Happiness also dovetailed nicely with McMahon's academic focus on the 17th and 18th centuries, the period of Enlightenment, when Jefferson and others put a new spin on the subject.



PHIL COALE/AP

History professor Darrin McMahon traces the history of happiness in his new book.

Until then, most people did not think of it as a right, unalienable or otherwise. It was more a matter of luck or virtue.

"The concept of luck is embedded in the very word happiness — luck or fortune," McMahon said. "That's true in every Indo-European language. It's a really striking thing, all the way back to the ancient Greek and moving forward."

The concept of humans having some control over their own happiness didn't flower until the 18th century.

"If you ask somebody today what happiness is, they'll inevitably tell you that it involves feeling good," McMahon said.

While pleasure today has become virtually synonymous with happiness, McMahon believes the older concept of a life well lived has not been entirely lost.

"You push most people and they will admit that, well, it's not enough to be happy simply to be pleasured, as it were," he said. "You need other things, and they'll talk about family and they'll talk about love and they'll talk about meaning and so forth."

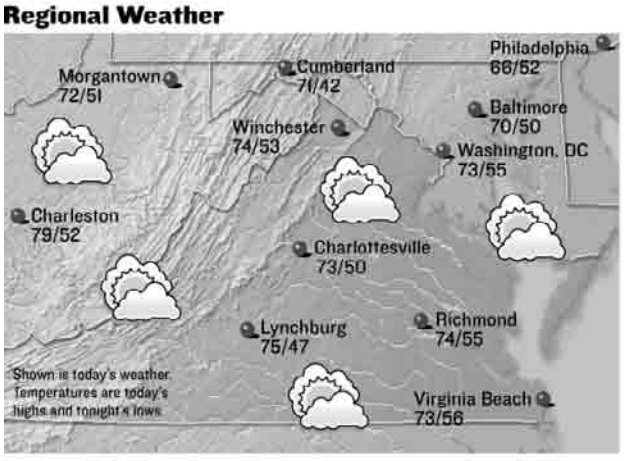
McMahon admits to having a grumpy side, particularly in the morning, and said he derives his own happiness from little things in life — walking his dog, traveling, having people over for dinner, teaching a good class and working on his books.

"This is the sad thing," he said. "I wish I could tell you that having studied the history of happiness for six years I've got the magic bullet, but I don't." BILL KACZOR (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Partly sunny, windy, warmer	Mostly cloudy	Rather cloudy, shower possible	Cloudy, cooler, shower possible	Partly sunny	Partly sunny, seasonable
73°	55°	73° / 49°	59° / 47°	66° / 44°	64° / 47°

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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Wed.

Temperature

High	44°
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Normal high	57°
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Average humidity	43%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	3.15"
Normal month to date	2.48"
Year to date	7.83"
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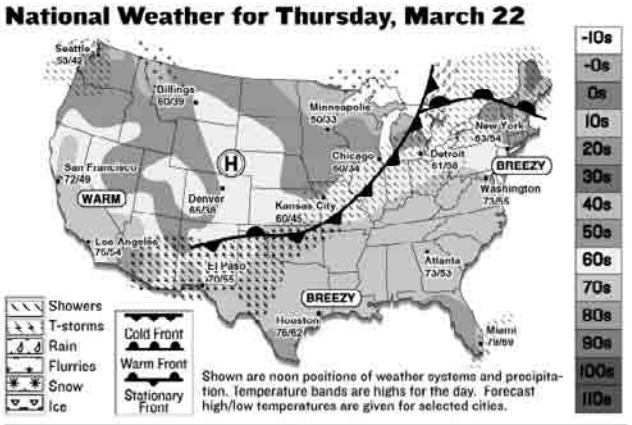
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Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	6:09 a.m.
Sunset tonight	6:22 p.m.
Moonrise today	7:58 a.m.
Moonset today	11:17 p.m.

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National Weather for Thursday, March 22



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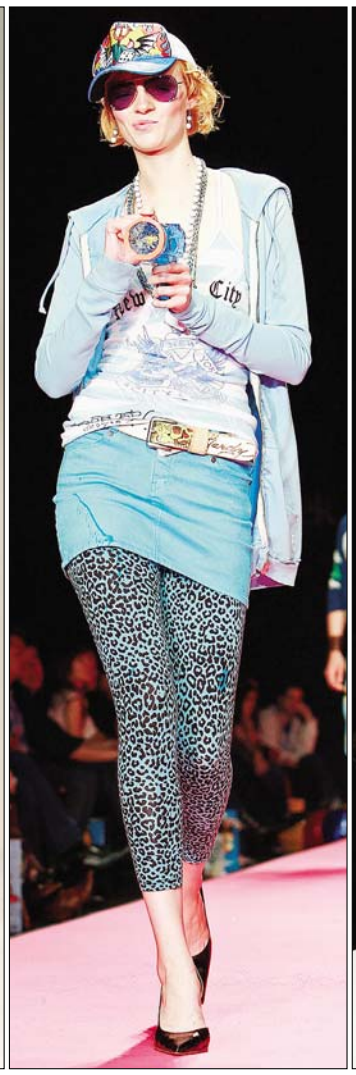
National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
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Boston	55/43/c	55/37/pc
Chicago	60/34/t	57/42/c
Dallas	73/63/c	76/59/c
Denver	65/38/pc	67/35/pc
Honolulu	83/71/s	83/70/s
Los Angeles	75/54/s	75/54/s
Miami	79/69/sh	82/72/pc
New York City	63/54/pc	60/41/pc
Orlando	81/61/pc	82/61/s
Seattle	53/42/sh	53/45/r

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	45/38/sh	46/39/pc
Athens	56/45/r	55/41/pc
Berlin	44/36/c	46/36/c
Buenos Aires	82/68/pc	81/61/sh
Calgary	47/32/pc	54/35/pc
Dublin	50/36/pc	52/39/pc
Geneva	39/34/sn	39/35/sn
Moscow	55/36/s	48/32/s
Rome	55/42/sh	55/43/sh
Sydney	77/68/c	83/69/pc
Tokyo	58/42/pc	58/42/pc

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MATT SAYLES/AP

SKATERS AND SAVIORS: Looks from Imitation of Christ, left and right, and Ed Hardy, middle, on the catwalks Monday night.

Flights of Freaky

L.A. Fashion Week reaffirms that California is weird

Human bones on the catwalk. Models in dagger-emblazoned silk dresses strutting while talking on cell phones. Bauhaus blaring overhead.

Designer Tara Subkoff's Imitation of Christ brought some gothic glitz to L.A. Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week on Monday, with Ed Hardy's tattoo-based casual wear adding to the cool-teen party.

Still considered the less mature kid sister of its East Coast counterpart in New York, L.A. Fashion Week this season features 24 shows showcasing designers' fall 2007 collections.



Sweatpants, pink fur and pimp hats are fall's biggest looks. Send help.

On Monday, Subkoff's return to L.A. (her fourth time showing in the city) marked a cheery departure from over-the-top artiness and what she called "over-saturated" New York. The emphasis was the clothes: beaded white, black and gold dresses, deconstructed blouses and black leather.

L.A. Runway REPORT

Somber models painted pale white with burgundy or jet black lips stomped around skulls and bits of skeleton scattered down the runway. Wearing ill-fitting black heels, they also attempted to "talk" on their cell phones while walking..

Mini-dresses came in spangly white and gold, with one gorgeous gold-beaded cocktail number accented by a huge black cross hanging down the model's back. A long black sequined gown seemed custom fit for awards season.

Slouchy black pants and messy, long-sleeved white blouses looked more like daddy's old threads than high fashion. One snug, sparkling white gown dipped so low that the model showed more than really necessary.

Earlier in the day, designer Christian Audigier showcased his Ed Hardy line, with the circus as inspiration for his "Love Kills Slowly" collection.

The result was a candy-colored assortment of sweat pants, T-shirts, hoodies and leather jackets decked out with classic tattoo designs based on the flash artwork of veteran tattoo artist Don Ed Hardy.

"This is for modern teenagers," Audigier said in his thick French accent before the show. "It's more a lifestyle than clothes: the colors, the tattoos, the street, the bling-bling. I love it."

Long cardigan sweaters for women were worn belted as mini-dresses over checkered leggings, and a red men's sweater included fiery tattoo sleeves. Hip-length hoodies embroidered with daggers and eagles were shown alongside T-shirts emblazoned with rhinestone skull-and-crossbones designs.

Audigier also debuted a new line of intimate apparel, including a gray panty-and-bra set trimmed with orange ruffles, along with his Ed Hardy collection of boots and sneakers. SOLVEJ SCHOU (AP)

Beauty



Plop, Plop, Fizz, Fizz

Fizzy is fun! At least it is when bathing in a giant tub of Alka-Seltzer, courtesy of Sephora's new **BODY EFFERVESCENT BATH TABLET** ($2). We dropped the tiny disk into the bathwater, where it poured forth a surprising amount of bubbles. After it had stopped boiling away like the Wicked Witch of the West, the water turned the color of skim milk. We liked that there was no scent, which is great if you're dong a full-on third-date bath/shave/lotion/perfume thing. The water still left skin relatively soft, although we did need moisturizer afterward. KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

Pets



Kitty Want Num-Num?

We gave a variety of Express-related cats a crack at the **WELLNESS** pet food line (omhpet.com for retailers), including their new high-protein, no-grain Core variety (which we promptly dubbed "Catkins"). The kitten variety tester "ate it, then ran around a lot." The adult testers ate it, then went to stare at nothing. They didn't lose any weight on the weeklong trial (sorry, vet!), and switching back to their regular food produced a notable increase in, um, output. However, they did seem to like it, and at this point it's either lose weight through their diet or find a way to strap them to the treadmill. K.P.K.

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The Wonder Computer

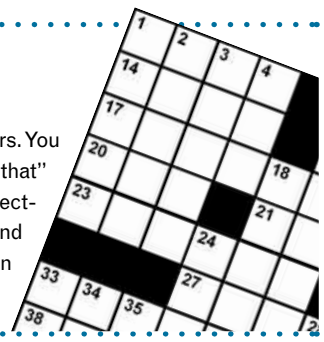
William Shatner has never settled for second-best. So during the computing revolution of the early '80s, how could he do anything but endorse the raddest machine on the block: the Commodore VIC-20? See the video on our homepage, bottom right. | ONLINE NOW



EXPLORE BALTIMORE

Canton Cool

For a city on the Chesapeake Bay, Baltimore has a serious lack of places for residents to savor the views. The Inner Harbor is mobbed with tourists. Ditto for Fells Point. But Canton, just a bit farther east, still belongs to locals—although you're welcome to visit, too. We'll tell you where to go. | ONLINE NOW



GAMES

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comment board

"Metro can barely manage to mop the floors outside of the train on rainy/snowy days. How are they going to prevent slippery rail cars? Plus, will this really save so much money? On what — vacuuming bills?"

COMMENTER MAUREEN, RESPONDING TO WEDNESDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, "SHOULD METRO GET RID OF THE CARPETS ON ITS TRAINS?"



"The new guy's trying to emulate NYC's transit system? This is not NYC. Washington is classier than that. Across the nation, Metro has been looked at as the premier system. Let's not try to reduce it to that of NYC's."

COMMENTER ALICIA VALENCIA, ALSO ON METRORAIL FLOORS. SHE ADDED: "WHEN I THINK OF THEIR TRAINS, I THINK OF RATS!"

poll center

TODAY'S QUESTION

Would you like to see Al Gore run for president again?

1. Yes
2. No

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Should Metro get rid of the carpets on its trains?

AS OF 5 P.M. WEDNESDAY. NOT A SCIENTIFIC POLL.

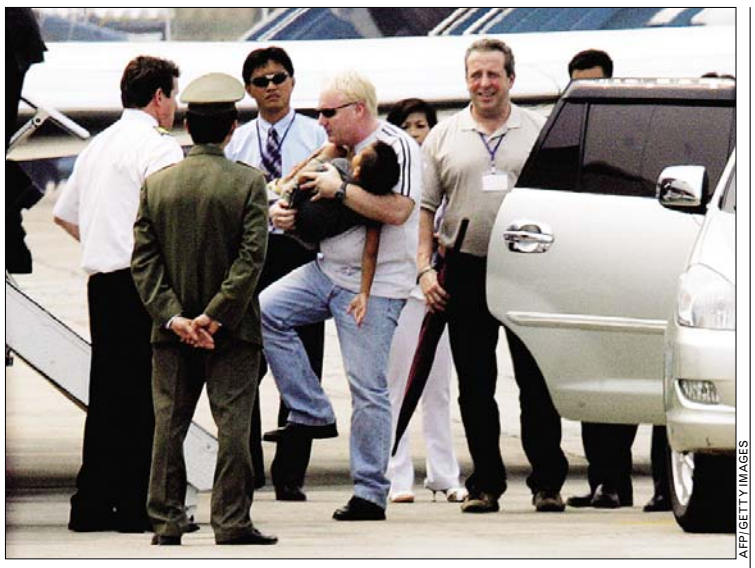


SEE HOW YOUR METRO STATION VOTED AT READEXPRESS.COM/POLLCENTER.PHP

Blog LOG

"People think something rotten happened in the Justice Department, and when they see the president stonewalling ... it just makes [it] worse."

OLIVERWILLIS.COM, THE LEFT-LEANING BLOGGER, THINKS THE WHITE HOUSE IS LIVING INSIDE AN ECHO CHAMBER AS IT TRIES TO WEATHER THE SCANDAL OVER FIRED U.S. ATTORNEYS.



AFP/GETTY IMAGES

"Poor Maddox and Zahara look exhausted! Those two have more frequent flier miles than any other celebrity kids."

POPSUGAR.COM REACTS TO PHOTOS OF ANGELINA JOLIE'S CHILDREN AS THEY ACCOMPANIED THEIR MOM TO VIETNAM TO FINALIZE THE ADOPTION OF A NEW CHILD. THAT'S A SLEEPY MADDOX ABOVE.

"MAYBE ONE OF YOU Washingtonians can help me out here, but — the Pentagon Metro? It's apparently ... at the Pentagon? Are there separate parking lots for Metro riders, or was I not supposed to arrive by car?"

ZANDRIA.US, WHO DOESN'T USE METRO, THOUGHT THERE WAS A COMMUTER PARKING LOT AT THE PENTAGON STATION.

"IF HILLARY, OBAMA and the others don't do it for the rank-and-file Dems, enter Al Gore. If Rudy, McCain and the others don't do it for the rank-and-file Republicans, enter Fred Thompson."

REDSTATE.ORG, A RIGHT-LEANING BLOG, ON THE POTENTIAL PLAYERS IN THE 2008 RACE FOR THE WHITE HOUSE.

"SOMETHING ABOUT meeting at night out in Bowie, Md., meeting a guy who waited 24 hours to call me, called me at 2 a.m. and says he always sleeps all day and only works weekends ... it's not quite right."

ANDIAMNOTLYINGFORREAL.BLOGSPOT.COM LOST HIS CELL PHONE AND IS TRYING TO ARRANGE TO GET IT BACK.

Live Online

Rowdy Riders

Post Metro columnist **MARC FISHER** was online Thursday and talked about rowdy teenagers on Metro, lightened restrictions on elderly drivers and whether tabloid TMZ can succeed



Rowdy teenage behavior on the Metro is not just kids "acting out." If left unchecked, it could lead to real violence on a regular basis. Metro should use whatever carrots and sticks are available to nip the problem in the bud.

Making schools less like prisons would help, too. If you had to spend your day in facilities where you are searched going in, where police roam the halls, where rules violations are treated like criminal acts, you, too, might feel like letting off some steam.

I was shocked to read that Jim Graham is introducing legislation to eliminate written and road tests for drivers in D.C. over 75. This clearly shows a politician bowing to his constituents who's not making a decision based on sound judgment.

That's a pretty craven move. If there's anything drivers can agree on, it's that very old folks do start to lose their ability to see, hear and react quickly.

We already have Wonkette. What more can TMZ offer?

TMZ specializes in catching the prominent unaware, in unflattering garb or other states of dishevelment. Maybe I'm misjudging the level of interest in D.C. personalities, but I just don't think there's mass interest in the fact that a congressman goes out to water his lawn in too-short shorts that reveal various folds of fat.

TODAY ON LIVE ONLINE: Post staff writers Eric Prisbell and Adam Kilgore discuss the action at the NCAA tournament at 2 p.m. | **washingtonpost.com/liveonline**

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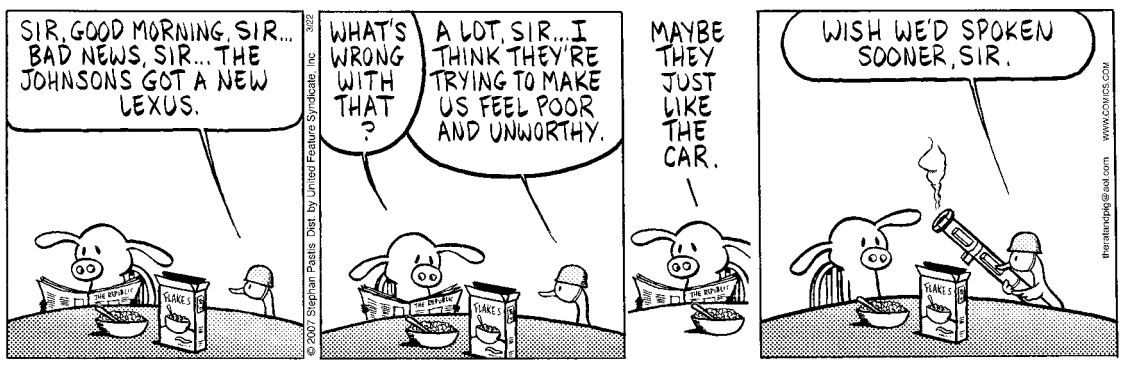


"Fine, but that's the old you talking. The new you would never ask for a refund."

Pooch Cafe | *Paul Gilligan*



Pearls Before Swine | *Stephan Pastis*



The Duplex | *Glenn McCoy*



Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Hard work is sure to yield results, but you may be surprised to find out that peripheral affairs are developing in an unexpected way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The unavoidable is best encountered head-on; try to skirt the issue and you're sure to make things more difficult for yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do things one step at a time and you'll enjoy very positive results. Resist the temptation to do double duty at any time right now.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) There's no use in worrying about what ails you, especially if you're not going to take positive steps toward solving the problem. Activate yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's up to you to get things going; others may know that something is necessary, and some may know exactly what, but the first step must be yours.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) What begins as something unimportant is likely to develop quickly into something pivotal and worth a great deal more time and effort.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You're on a mission, and it's important you keep things in perspective the more involved you get. Don't lose control of the situation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) No one will be able to outthink you at any moment, but don't let yourself become overconfident. Keep looking at things in a humble way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You may feel as though something is slipping away from you and, try as you might, you cannot hold onto it. Try letting go for a while.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't panic over a late start; you'll have the chance to catch up with yourself — and others — and to lead the pack into the homestretch.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Things aren't likely to go unnoticed, in all arenas, particularly if you do them. You have a way of attracting the right kind of attention.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You'll have the time to assess your situation this week, and to rethink what you're doing at any given moment. Look at yourself honestly.

Letters

Teen's Ailment Not Funny

THE EYE OPENERS ARTICLE on the hiccuping illness of Jennifer Mee was headlined in a very callous manner ("Teen Girl Becomes Even More Annoying," March 20). She is NOT annoying; rather, she is afflicted, through no fault of her own, with a traumatizing condition. Compassion works better than trying to be cute. What if your daughter were ridiculed in this mean-spirited manner? Perhaps you should send the article, complete with headline, to her mother to see whether she agrees.

—KENT L. HIBBEN
Accokeek, Md.

Correction:

In March 21's "Explore Baltimore," crabcakes.com was mistakenly named in an article picturing crab cakes from crabcake.com.

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Today in History

1638 Religious dissident Anne Hutchinson is expelled from the Massachusetts Bay Colony for defying Puritan orthodoxy.

1765 Britain enacts the Stamp Act of 1765 to raise money from the American colonies. (The Act was repealed the following year.)

1820 U.S. naval hero Stephen Decatur is killed in a duel with Commodore James Barron near Washington, D.C.

1945 The Arab League is formed with the adoption of a charter in Cairo, Egypt.

1972 Congress sends the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the Constitution to the states for ratification.

1987 A garbage barge, carrying 3,200 tons of refuse, leaves Islip, N.Y., on a six-month journey in search of a place to unload. (The barge was turned away by several states and three other countries until space was found back in Islip.)

Look out People

LOGIC

Court Decides Not to Assign Smith Offspring Via Lottery

Anna Nicole Smith's 6-month-old daughter, who could inherit millions, will undergo a DNA test to identify her father, an attorney for the baby's grandmother said. A Bahamian judge ordered the DNA test Tuesday. **LARRY BIRKHEAD**, the ex-boyfriend who asked the judge to order the test, pumped his fists in the air and jumped up and down as he emerged from the private court hearing. "It's been a good day in court for me," he told reporters. When asked whether he thought he would see the girl soon, he only smiled and winked. (AP)



TIM AYLEN/AP

"Crazy Eyes" Birkhead gives the universal signal for "frosted tips rule."

IN 2037 ...

Elton Estate Releases Clone Rights to Starbucks

ELTON JOHN will make his back catalog of more than 30 albums available for digital download later this month. More than 400 tracks will be available through iTunes from March 26 through April 30, and then will be made available on other services. "The world has certainly changed since Philips Records issued my first single on 7-inch vinyl — 39 years ago this month," he said. (AP)



BAD SIGNS

Reality-Industrial Complex Co-Opts Scientific Progress

Boxing great, ordained minister and grilling guru **GEORGE FOREMAN** has added another job to his resume: reality TV judge. Foreman, 58, will be one of four judges on ABC's "American Inventor" when it begins its second season June 6. He will be joined by former NBA executive Pat Croce and entrepreneur Sara Blakely, creator of Spanx. (AP)

Just imagine if this page were in 3-D!



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INEVITABLE

Now, 'Crazy IV: The Swift Relapse'

After nearly a month of seclusion in a luxurious rehabilitation center, **BRITNEY SPEARS** has moved on. The pop star checked out of Promises Malibu Alcohol and Drug Rehab Treatment Facility "after successfully completing their program," Spears' manager, Larry Rudolph, said in a statement. Spears hasn't disclosed why she sought treatment at Promises, which offers detox, counseling and 12-step programs. A 30-day stay at the Mediterranean-style villa tucked in the Santa Monica Mountains costs $48,000. (AP)



KIRSTY WIGGLESWORTH/AP

But is he free-trade and twice-roasted?

PURCHASES

Triple No-Whip, One-Pump 2 Percent Venti Sellout

PAUL MCCARTNEY was introduced Wednesday as the first artist signed to Starbucks Corp.'s new record label. The former Beatle made an appearance via a video feed from London at the company's annual meeting. The world's largest specialty coffee retailer announced earlier this month that it was partnering with Concord Music Group to launch the Los Angeles-based Hear Music label. (AP)

SAD

Harrelson's Father Dies in Federal Prison

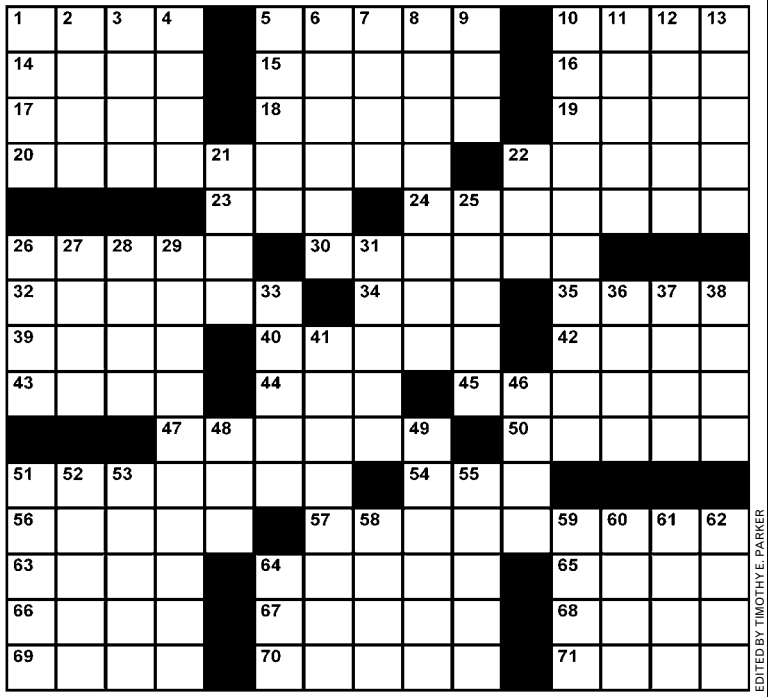
WOODY HARRELSON's father, Charles Harrelson, died of a heart attack in the Denver, Colo., prison where he was serving two life sentences for the murder of a federal judge, officials said Wednesday. Charles Harrelson, 69, was found unresponsive in his cell on the morning of March 15, said Felicia Ponce, a Bureau of Prisons spokeswoman. An autopsy showed Harrelson had severe coronary artery disease. She said he probably died in his sleep. (AP)





LOOK out

Rhyming Trips

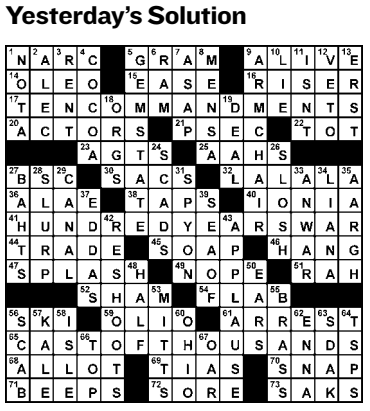


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1 Clock radio switch
5 Firm parts, briefly
10 Soldiers for old Dixie
14 Casa component
15 Uncovers
16 Floor measure
17 Commiserator's word
18 Have a life
19 Parental admonition
20 Fires
22 Hindu social group
23 Exploit
24 Ingrain
26 Adagio, allegro, etc.
30 "Ghost Story" novelist Peter
32 WWII maritime hazard
34 Garment edge
35 Hands-on classes
39 Cartoon Betty
40 Biblical peak
42 Cannes brainstorm
43 Cost to be dealt in
44 Direct extender
45 Seem
47 Hindu queens
50 Bone of contention
51 Baseball position
54 They might give you a jump-start
56 Some precious stones
57 Some acrobatic maneuvers
63 Prefix with freeze
64 Words with may or might
65 American prefix
66 Bissextile year
67 Hogs' homes
68 "___ ain't broke ..."
69 Disrespect, in a way
70 Mae and Adam
71 Isn't a natural

DOWN
1 Posthaste, briefly
2 French Sudan, now
3 Bakery offering
4 Camouflage
5 Adam's son and others
6 Prepares to take off
7 Misstep
8 Emphatic agreement
9 Craft that once landed at Heathrow
10 They're seen in air traffic control towers
11 Notched and jagged
12 Dispositions
13 Surfeits
21 Birthday attire?
22 PC's brain
25 Cobra relative
26 Hefty instrument
27 Deep black, in poesy
28 Subject to debate
29 Office items
31 Storied bear contingent
33 Shoe finish
36 Orange and lime, for two
37 Bringer of wine and flowers
38 Withering
41 Job for an orthodontist
46 Edith, the "little sparrow"
48 Sounds of delight
49 Soft bag containing perfumed powder
51 Embers
52 Breathing irregularity
53 Bye-byes
55 Words sung after "You must remember this"
58 How some cars are sold
59 Installed, as carpet
60 Not a done deal
61 ___-dieu (kneeling bench)
62 Elbow benders
64 Milan-Turin direction

Yesterday's Solution



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Yesterday's Solution

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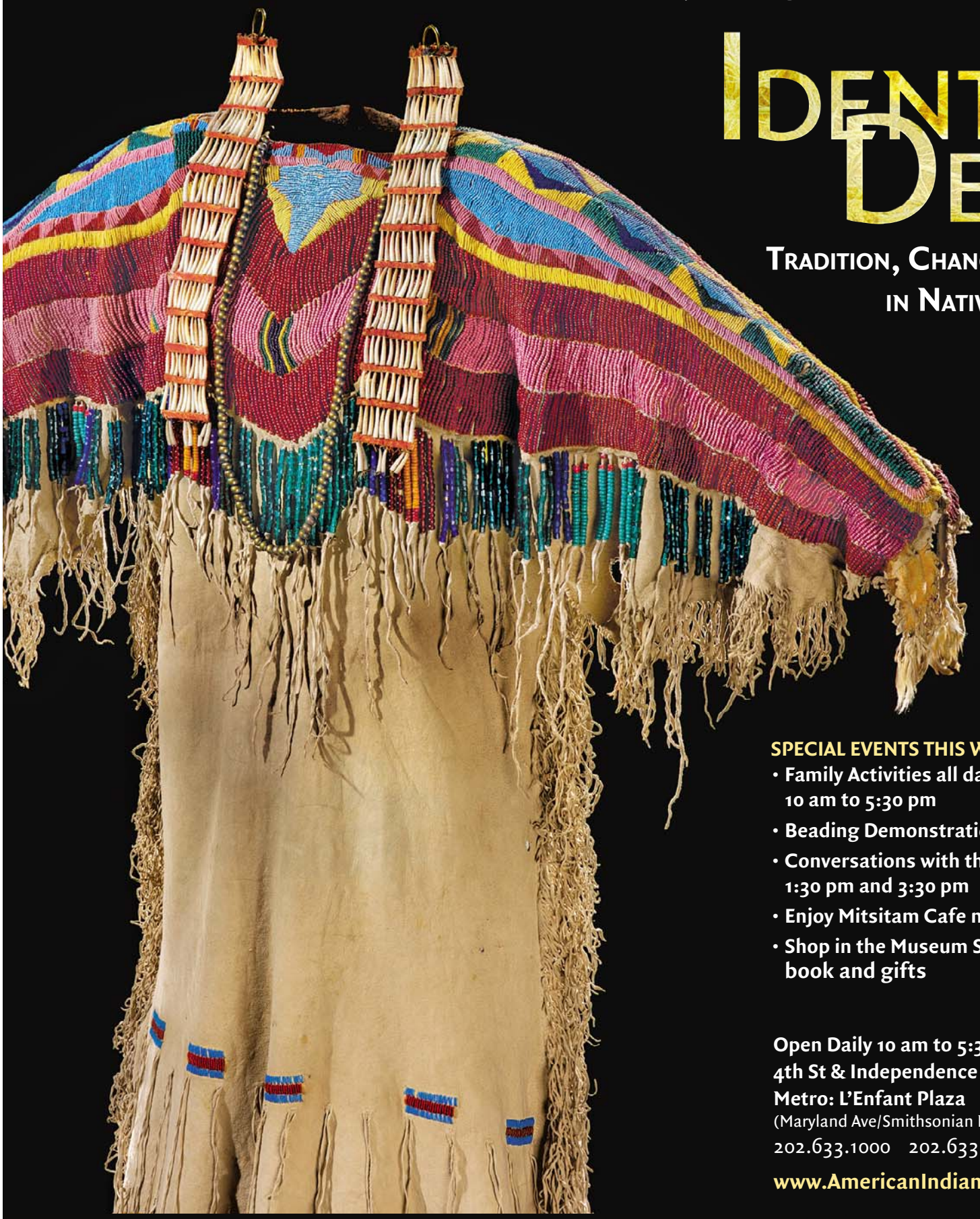
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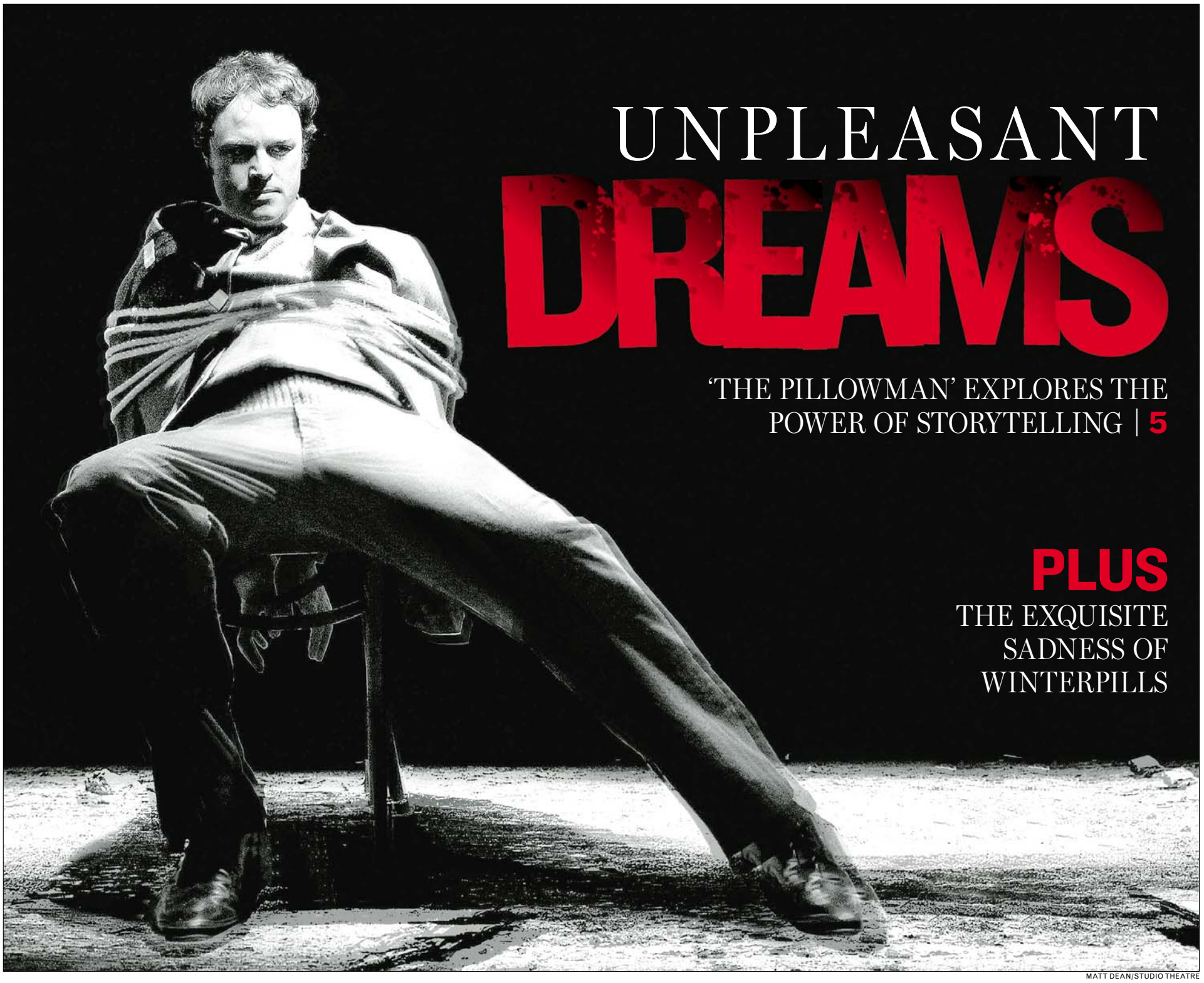




Top: Yakama two-hide dress, ca. 1890. Jocko Reservation, Montana. 14/3568. *Left to right (the 3 thumbnails)*: Sioux two-hide pattern dress with fully beaded yoke, ca. 1900. South Dakota. 20/2210. Sicangu Lakota (Sioux) girl's fully beaded dress, 1890. Probably South Dakota. 16/2323. Comanche three-hide dress and accessories, ca. 1890. Oklahoma. 2/1803, 23/288, RP1643. Smithsonian/National Museum of the American Indian.

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NAME: William Dunlap
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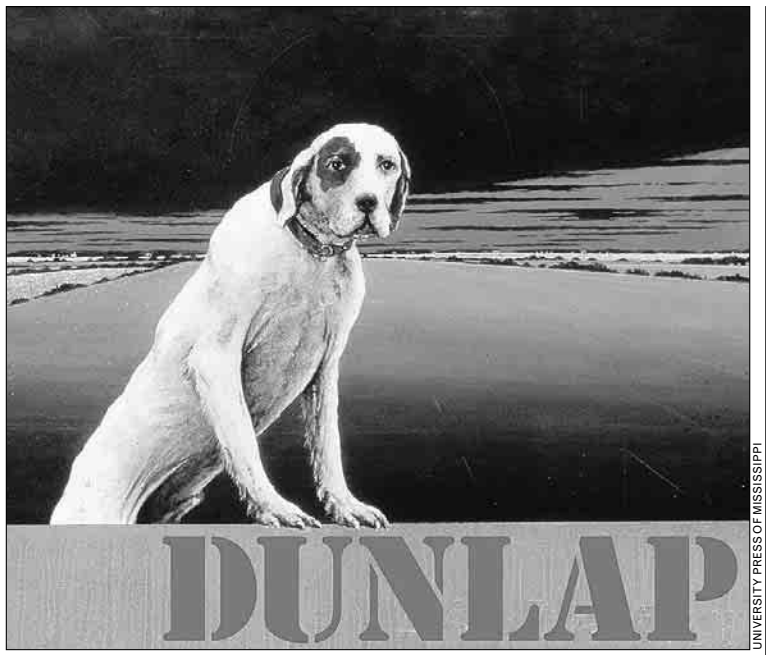
IT'S NOT EASY to have a dry Q&A with the painter, art writer, educator and commentator. He talks speedily in a charming Mississippi accent and diverts the chat with amenities ("Who are your people?"). But he does manage to passionately and knowledgably touch upon many subjects, including the influence of Washington-area institutions and artists on his own work, one of the subjects of his National Gallery of Art "Saturday Bookcase" lecture, at which he will also discuss the book "Dunlap," a lavishly illustrated partial overview of his career as a dead-serious art prankster.

Many people think artists are some kind of idiots savant who should shut up and create. What are you doing?
Well, I'm having a wonderful time in the art world, and I do wear a lot of hats. It think it's counter-productive in our society to put people in a category and never let them out. ... I want to be a moving target, as it were.


Dunlap

What makes a Washington-area artist besides geography?
D.C. is an international city and it's a city of international art. I'm fond of saying that it has a better group of artists than it deserves, considering the meager support the arts get.

You incorporate a lot of asides about art history and literature into your own work.
Writers have been a bigger influence on me than other painters: The magic realism of the South American writers and of course the Faulkners and Weltys, James Dickey and Willie Morris. Writing was the way they got their art done.



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SENATOR, IS THAT YOU? Dunlap's work, in part, explores the American landscape.

"Dunlap" is not a complete retrospective of your work, though.
No, first off, it's not a retrospective because there was never an exhibition attached to it. It's an effort to reconcile all these sort of outrageous things that I've been doing — the painting and sculptures and performance art.

What should readers who may be unfamiliar with your work know about the book?
Well, I do like to sign it in a special way, for people who deserve it. I just add something to that boy dog on the cover. I don't know how you're gonna say that ...

Me, either.
Let's just say there's a surprise in store. [Chuckles] It's not anthropomorphizing, but all animals in my work are stand-ins for people; they're metaphors, they're part of my repertory company. That that old boy dog standing there looking at you is someone I know, someone you know. He may be in the U.S. Senate.

Do you have a favorite place to just stand and look?
These images come from driving up and down the interstate, driving up the roads. If there's the right juxtaposition of light, building and place, I pull off and try to make a little drawing, try to remember it. ... I've been accused of making the same painting over and over again, and I say yep, and I'm gonna do it until I get it right.

ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

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Sherry Glaser's Five Lives

The actress exposes 'Family Secrets' in a one-woman show

STAGE | Every family has its colorful characters and sees its share of dysfunction. In many families, it's handed down generation to generation like a well-worn quilt.

This is especially true in the Fisher clan, the Jewish family at the heart of Sherry Glaser's semi-autobiographical one-woman show "Family Secrets." Originally a long-running off-Broadway hit in the mid-'90s, the play makes a stop at the Washington D.C. Jewish Community Center's Theater J. In "Family Secrets," Glaser portrays family patriarch Mort; his wife, Bev; their bisexual/Wicca daughter Fern (a.k.a. Kahari); her angst-ridden teenage sister, Sandra; and Mort's mother, Rose. All the characters have moments to shine in vignettes describing key moments in their lives.



CAROL ROSEGG

A MAN'S WORLD: Glaser as Mort, frustrated by his tense wife and rebellious daughter.

Written by Glaser and her late husband Greg Howells, "Family Secrets" could all be a huge cliché were it not for Glaser's endearing portrayals, impressive physical humor and seamless transitions from one character to the next.

In one scene, she embodies the chubby Mort and his weary frustrations with Fern, and in the next, she's acting out Bev's nervous breakdown, punctuating each declaration with a shrill cackle. In the most exhausting (yet still hilarious) episode, Glaser acts out in aching detail Fern's natural childbirth.

Fortunately, the play's final act leaves audiences with the warm fuzzies, as Rose describes her second chance at love and the connections that keep family together. That's family, she says: "No matter what you do, you can't get rid of 'em."

ERIN TROMPETER

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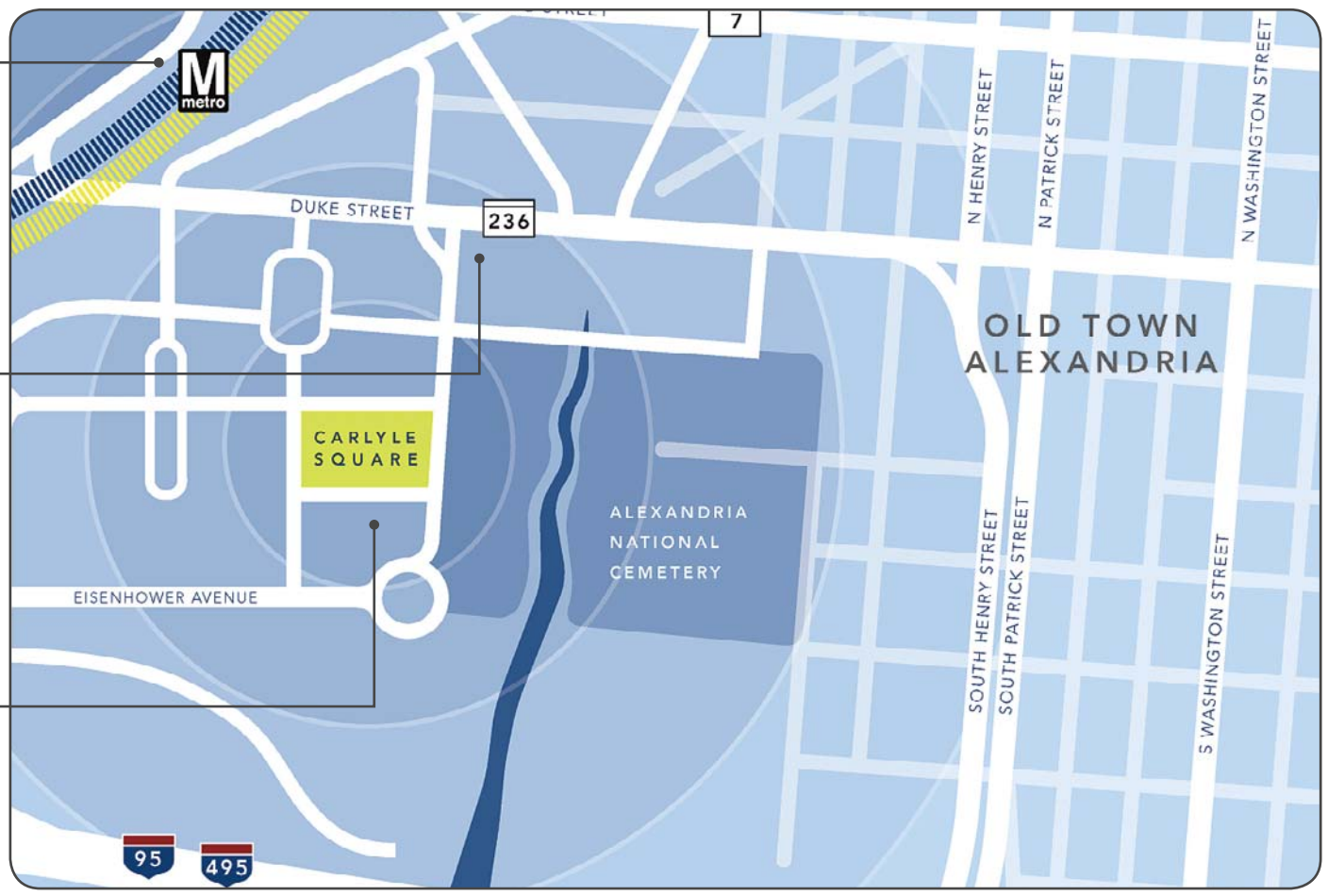
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STAGE | Bloody car wrecks on the commute. Amber Alerts for missing tweens on CNN. Those grisly, hack-me-if-you-can "Saw" movies. Dutch master Heironymous Bosch's paintings of bone-chomping devils. Fascination for abominations is primally human, whether the horrors are real or chilling works of art.

The power of scary storytelling to both hurt and heal is at the center of English/Irish playwright Martin McDonagh's "The Pillowman," a West End and Broadway hit making its D.C. debut at Studio Theatre.

But this fright fest — an account of a writer who may have brutally murdered small children — seasons its bloody stew with humor of the blackest sort. "The key is the balance between the two," said Studio's founding artistic director, Joy Zinoman, who helms this production. "It becomes deeper, more complex because of that."

And McDonagh, whose earlier works ("A Skull in Connemara," "The Lieutenant of Inishmore") showed a Tarantino-like taste for violence and comedy, seems just the auteur to explore funny spaces in the bleakest night.

As the play opens, the short-story writer Katurian (Tom Story) and his simpleton brother Michal (Aaron Munoz) have been imprisoned in a nameless totalitarian state prison, suspected of offing several small children in the same awful ways Katurian has described in his hundreds of unpublished (except one) fairy tales.

Katurian is interrogated both harrowingly and hilariously by two cops, one good (Tupolski, smoothly played by Denis Arndt) and the other perhaps bad (Hugh Nees' pugnacious Ariel). In the process, both policemen and Katurian tell his ghastly tales.



CAROL PRATT

HORRORSHOW: Zinoman's imaginative staging is full of artfully handled effects, such as red ribbons standing in for blood and a glass coffin out of "Snow White."

And they're good yarns, Grimm stuff that'd keep any kid from straying from the garden gate, looking down a well or talking to strangers. Sometimes they're dryly recounted by Tupolski over an examining table in the steel-walled, depressing-as-hell cell.

Other times, Katurian spins his yarns as lavishly costumed actors re-enact his words in Disney-gone-wrong, nightmarescape sets.

In the most affecting tale of all, the writer and his brother's own atrocious childhood spurts to life, and it'd even make a wicked stepmother cringe. In Zinoman's staging, such violence veers between stylized and downright haunting.

Martin McDonagh is just the auteur to explore funny spaces in the bleakest night.

In the process of examining these fables, we learn much about hate, but more about love. These tales were created to entertain their audience and, strangely enough, also to soothe them.

It's a sort of transformative magic for both storyteller and listeners. "Stories like this are a way of experiencing deep fears in a way that's safe and protected," said Zinoman. "The most horrible things happen, but because it's fiction, it can liberate us."

In the case of "The Pillowman," they can scare the hell out of us, too, which is why averting your eyes from this show is almost impossible. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

➜ *Studio Theatre, 1501 14th St. NW; through April 22, $39-$55; "Nightmares and Pillow Tales," staged readings of stories from "The Pillowman," E.T.A. Hoffmann's "Struwwelpeter," Edward Gorey and more, Sat., & Sun., 5 p.m., $5; 202-332-3300.*

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BLUES LECTURE

Clearing Up Muddy Waters



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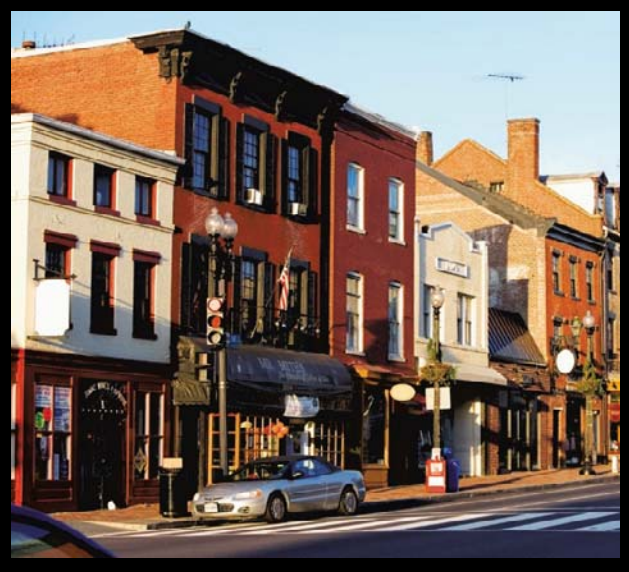
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From J Dilla to Yorke

Robert Glasper's jazz piano has roots in indie and hip-hop

MUSIC | Highly touted pianist Robert Glasper has one of the most distinct sounds in modern jazz. His touch is light and his lyricism lush, but he's also harmonically adventurous without being dissonant.

Glasper also had the unique looks to match his piano playing: an eyebrow ring and a shock of long dreadlocks. While the metal loop still pokes out above his right peeper, the locks are nowhere to be found.

"They're gone, baby," Glasper said. "I just wanted a change. I had them for 8 or 9 years," so some friends came over and convinced him to chop them off, just like that. "They didn't really mean that much to me."

While the down-to-earth Glasper is not the sort for ceremony, he does believe in paying tribute to the people who matter most to him. He closes his new CD, "In My Element," with "Tribute," an elegant ode to his deceased mother, and tips his hat to pianist Mulgrew Miller on the punchy "One for 'Grew."

On "J Dillalude" he gives a musical shout-out to hip-hop producer J Dilla, who died Feb. 10, 2006. The song begins with a phone message from rapper Q-Tip telling Glasper to "play some Dilla joints, like, trio style," but the song is composed of snippets of live jams by Glasper and his triomates, drummer Damion Reid and bassist Vincente Archer, smoothly segued together into a cut-and-paste tapestry.

"You'd rarely heard JD beats on the radio because he was so dope and gutter with his [stuff]," said Glasper, who also produces hip-hop under a pseudonym he won't reveal and can often be found performing with rapper Mos Def and avant-R&B singer Bilal.



JESSICA CHORNESKY

WORLD AT HIS FINGERTIPS: Glasper believes good music can be found anywhere.

Glasper also celebrates another favorite, Herbie Hancock's "Maiden Voyage," which he also did on his 2004 debut, "Mood." But this time the integration of Radiohead's "Everything in Its Right Place" into the Hancock classic is more pronounced. "It was under the radar [on 'Mood'] — just enough to where I wouldn't get sued," Glasper said. "On this album, 'Maiden Voyage' is just the first 16 bars or something. Then after that, it's just Radiohead. … Jazz musicians love chords changes and different time signatures, and Radiohead songs have those. They're very jazz friendly."

But so is Dilla, Glasper said. "He's the equal to Radiohead."

CHRISTOPHER PORTER (EXPRESS)

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Into Eternity built its metal reputation the old-fashioned way

MUSIC | As part of the appropriately titled "Metal for the Masses Tour," Canadian heavy metal band Into Eternity will perform at Jaxx this Sunday.

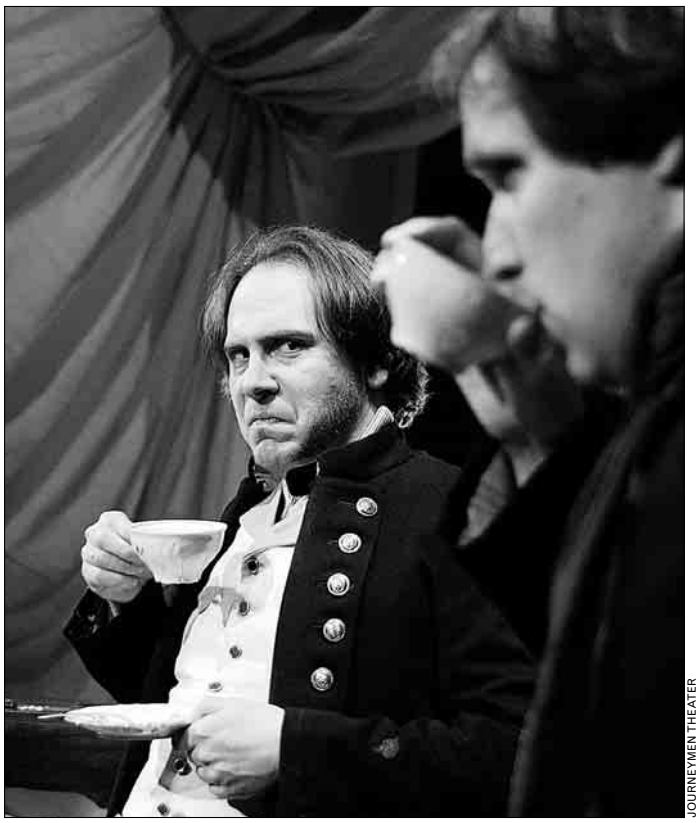
Into Eternity has built a positive reputation for itself over the past few years by touring relentlessly and impressing hard-to-please metal fans night after night. The band has played alongside a wide variety of touring partners ranging from power-metal favorites Hammerfall to thrash-metal stars Megadeth and death metal outfits (yes, these are all slightly different genres) Kataklysm.

Into Eternity is not always the heaviest or the fastest band on the bill, but it's almost always the most intense. "We all love being on the road and playing metal every night," explains vocalist Stu Block, who may just be the new millennium's Rob Halford. "We're thrilled about the responses we've been getting."

And this is the kind of band that demands a response from the listener. The band's sound combines the jarring aggression of old-school thrash and death metal, the speedy instrumental precision of shred and progressive rock and the triumphant choruses and melodies of classic metal. Add Block's impressive vocals — from low growls to high-pitched screams — to the mix and you have a band that's tough to classify. GREG RE

➜ *Jaxx, 6355 Rolling Road, West Springfield; with the Haunted, Dark Tranquillity, Scar Symmetry, Undaunted, Sun., doors open 6 p.m., $18 in advance, $20 at the door; 800-551-7328.*

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DJ With a Big Voice

RJD2 dares to sing, which annoys even the alt-hip-hop world

MUSIC | Unlike a lot of hip-hop artists, R.J. Krohn — better known as RJD2 — has an appetite for reinvention. This upsets some people, self-styled guardians of authenticity especially. Particularly since RJD2's latest, "The Third Hand," leaps from his history of instrumental hip-hop into a right-now groove that includes vocals — sung vocals, from his own mouth, no guest divas or MCs.

"Even when I was doing 'Dead Ringer,'" says Krohn of his 2002 debut album, "I was trying to do pop songs — quote-unquote — from the warped perspective of a machine, a sampler and records." RJD2's masterful deployment of unlikely samples — from Brian Eno, Steve Reich, even Elliott Smith — also figured highly in his work as a producer and remixer for Cage, Aceyalone, Astrud Gilberto, Massive Attack and even the Polyphonic Spree.

For the new work, Krohn says, "I wasn't sure if my vocal takes would be the final takes to make an album. I did consider doing the record with guest singers. I tried a little of that and when I finished it was kind of jarring, like a compilation album or a mix tape. It didn't fit. At the end of the day I wound up with an album that I'm singing on." Krohn also recorded live guitar, bass and keys, played by himself and reproduced onstage by a full band.

His shift toward more comprehensive pop songwriting is signified by another jump. He left the revered indie hip-hop label Dif Jux for XL, which counts fellow pop experimentalist Thom Yorke among its signings. "I've been listening to a lot of classic rock: E.L.O. and Queen and Wings, '60s psychedelic rock," says Krohn.

His 2004 album, "Since We Last Spoke," drew on sludgy, doomy guitar textures, while "The Third Hand" bears a debt to E.L.O. in the way that, say, Radiohead rethinks Pink Floyd. Basically, critics devour the idea but civilians don't notice. Or care.

Except unlike two turntables and a microphone, a full live band can bring the rock. "It's a totally different animal," says Krohn. "It's fun and it's liberating. Especially on stage when I literally step up to the mic." BOB MASSEY



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TOO INDIE? Known for his proficiency with instrumental hip-hop and machine-driven "pop," RJD2 opens his mouth on his latest record, "The Third Hand."

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Fusion of Soulfulness

Portuguese singer Mariza refines fado's mournful melodies

MUSIC | Fado means "fate" in Portuguese, but it's also the name of a mournful fusion music that developed in the early 19th century. It's comprised of sounds and rhythms from Brazil, Africa and Portugal, and it became internationally known in the 20th century because of the genre's queen, Amália Rodrigues.

What fado isn't, however, is "folk" music. It wasn't developed in the countryside, but rather in the port city of Lisbon.

"Fado was born by the sea," said Mariza, the Portuguese-Mozambican singer with bright white hair, deep dark eyes and dramatically strong voice. It was sung by lonely sailors at sea and by their desperate families at home.

"Fado is a music that grows with the social life of a city," Mariza said.



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The singer takes traditional fado songs and reinvents them for this century.

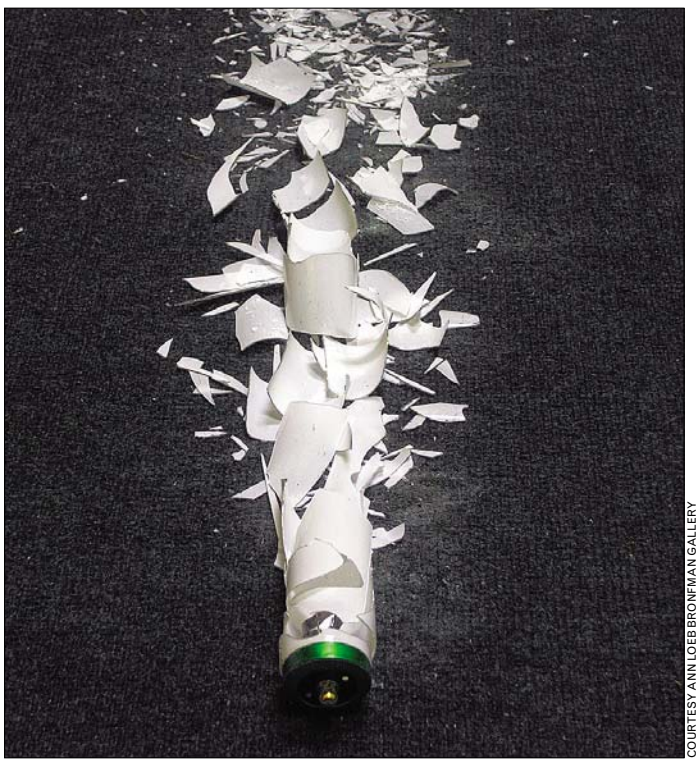
"Fado grows as the city grows; it has a life where people grow. If a city stops growing, fado will stop at the same time. If the city changes, moves, brings on a new generation, brings on new things, then fado moves, too."

Historically, fado is performed by a singer, a Spanish or classical guitar and a Portuguese guitar. But artists like Mariza have expanded the tonal language of fado while retaining its melancholy essence. Her new CD, "Concerto em Lisboa," is a gorgeous collection of strings-soaked sorrow, recorded with the Sinfonietta de Lisboa and conducted by Brazilian music giant Jaques Morelenbaum.

"I try to bring the old fado songs, which are 80 or 90 years old, and I try to make new arrangements for them," Mariza said. "But slowly — very slowly. It's like taking care of a baby. CHRISTOPHER PORTER (EXPRESS)

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ANNA PRICE ECKLES

TRANSCENDENTAL MEDICATION: The 'Pills have plenty of competition in their hometown, indie nexus Northampton, Mass.

A Whiter Shade

There is a method in the sadness of Winterpills' music

MUSIC | Philip Price is running on three hours of sleep, but that's what happens when you front one of indie rock's most compelling and mysterious bands, and you've just put out a second album in the third month of the year that promises to top critics' lists and get hipsters swooning before the twelfth.

Winterpills — singer/guitarist/songwriter Price, singer Flora Reed, guitarist Dennis Crommett and drummer Dave Hower — are approaching the Midwest en route to, among other gigs, a Saturday-night show at Iota, where local fans can get a taste of the Northampton, Mass., band's sweet, sad, fiendishly melodic songs.

Over the course of two records, 2005's "Winterpills" and the new "The Light Divides," the band has carved out a singular niche using pre-owned indie-rock tools. You can taste Iron and Wine, recall Elliott Smith and hear shimmers of Neutral Milk Hotel, but the sensibility is all the 'Pills' own: fragile, angry, solicitous and self-conscious the way very smart people can be. And it's all free of the smug solipsism that makes so many like-minded bands juvie bores. Price's lyrics are densely packed but hugely evocative, tiny bombs of feeling and meaning.

> "I think Balzac said try to live a sane and healthy life so you can go crazy in your art."
>
> **PHILIP PRICE**, WINTERPILLS' SONGWRITER

"Often, the melody will exist for a long time before the words find their way to the right places," he says. "It takes a long time. There's a lot of insecurity about it. I'm kind of a failed writer. I studied literature and poetry and spent a few years trying to be a screenwriter when I was much younger."

D.C.-area fans can expect a more raucous experience than the introspective recorded music offers, so you may have to look up from your high-tops.

"We try to mix it up," says Price, "depending on the club, and put in some quiet material as well as rocking things. We can do it — in Charlotte, the crowd was so loud that we had to turn it up and turn it into a rock show. It was good to know that we can."

Still, heartbreak is the bread and butter of indie rock, and between the scabrous humor, the taut poeticism and the felicitous melodicism of Winterpills' music is a whole lot of love gone wrong. Really, do those indie boys think about anything else?

"Things are great, really," Price says with a laugh. "It's fine, you know. I think Balzac said try to live a sane and healthy life so you can go crazy in your art."

ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

➜ *Iota Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; with Taylor Carson, Sat., 9:30 p.m., $10; 703-522-8340. (Clarendon)*

Pratfalls Under Pressure

FILM | The great physical comedians of silent film weren't goofing on nothing. The climax of "Safety Last!," in which Harold Lloyd claws his way up a skyscraper, is as blunt a metaphor for social climbing as one could wish for. Set during the Civil War, Buster Keaton's "The General" deals with keeping your head as your world goes haywire.

During the sound era, the tradition proved surprisingly durable. The subtext of the famous "Modern Times" sequence in which Charlie Chaplin gets threaded through a giant machine is obvious to any Marxist scholar — and it would've worked just as well with a Wurlitzer-organ soundtrack.

Although he peaked decades later, French triple threat Jacques Tati (1907-1982) was a physical silent-film comedian at heart and fully worthy of such illustrious company. An excellent mime — keep reading, dammit! — he made movies in which dialogue was often superfluous, at times incomprehensible or entirely subordinated to the intricate overlapping of situations, sight gags and sound effects, as contrapuntal as Bach fugues. In the four films featuring Monsieur Hulot, Tati's scrupulous, eccentric



COURTESY AFI SILVER

Head held high, Jacques Tati's M. Hulot held the line against progress.

answer to Chaplin's Tramp and Lloyd's Boy obliviously maintains grace and decorum as he navigates the increasingly bizarre and disorienting labyrinth of modern life.

In the coming month, the AFI Silver will screen all five of Tati's cinematic features. The festivities get under way with 1967's "Play Time," a gloriously ambitious budget-buster that is perhaps the most peculiarly, inventively choreographed film ever dreamt up — and actually executed.

When Tati made 1949's "Jour de fête" (April 6-11), he hadn't yet introduced Hulot. But the accidental exploits of bicycle-riding postman François, who dutifully goes about his rounds as his town prepares for a carnival, are casual feats of wonder. GLENN DIXON

➜ *AFI Silver Theatre, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; starts Sat., 1 p.m., $7.50-$9.25; 301-495-6700. (Silver Spring)*

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Tales of the Lost City

Allen Toussaint still draws his inspiration from New Orleans

MUSIC | Since September 2005, a month after Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans and the Mississippi Gulf Coast, Allen Toussaint has been living in the Big Apple. But it's the Big Easy that remains in his heart and music. The prolific songwriter, producer and pianist constantly travels back to New Orleans, rebuilding his home. "I consider myself a visitor in New York," he said. "I definitely think that New York is the best place for me to be at this time, for just for business reasons. But wherever I am, I'm always on my way back to New Orleans."

New Orleans resides wherever and in whatever he performs, because Toussaint embodies its R&B legacy mightily, even if



COURTESY KENNEDY CENTER

STRANGE LAND: Toussaint waits out the renovation of his Big Easy house in New York City, but there's no place like home.

many of such singular tunes such as "Lady Marmalade," "Southern Nights" and "Yes, We Can" were made famous by the likes of Labelle, Glen Campbell and the Pointer Sisters, respectively. His recent Grammy-nominated duet disc with Elvis Costello, "The River in Reverse," helped reinvigorate his solo career.

This weekend at Blues Alley, however, Toussaint will join forces with New Orleans' Queen of the Blues, Marva Wright, who relocated to the Mid-Atlantic area (Bel Air, Md., to be exact) in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Although the two didn't communicate while both moved to the East Coast, Toussaint and Wright participated in the IMAX Theater film, "Hurricane on the Bayou." "That film showed all the devastation in the city and what could be done towards the future," he said.

Toussaint hopes to move back to New Orleans in the next two months and remains optimistic that the city will return to its full glory in about 10 years. "Whenever I go back, I ride all over town. There are still miles and miles of houses that are totally gutted," he said. "But there are many lawn trailers with people constantly working on their own houses and getting things in order. So there's progress going on constantly." JOHN MURPH

➜ *Blues Alley, 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW; through Sun., 8 & 10 p.m., $45; 202-337-4141.*

Internet Troubadour

Jonathan Coulton blazes his own trail through the music biz

MUSIC | No label. Free podcasts. Fan-designed merch. Cyberbegging. And yet geek poet laureate Jonathan Coulton is making a living from his music. It doesn't hurt that he is the rare novelty singer-songwriter with perfect emotional pitch, capable of making you laugh at your crushed dreams, whether they be total world domination or merely wooing the receptionist down the corridor from your cube. Or that he's fantastically prolific. From September to September, his Thing-a-Week project yielded four CDs.

But has Coulton discovered the tip jar of the 21st century? "I don't know if I've discovered it. I think there are plenty of people doing it," he said backstage at Jammin' Java a week and a half ago. "It's



COURTESY JONATHAN COULTON

Coulton sings about Ikea, giant squid and zombies, but he's no novelty act.

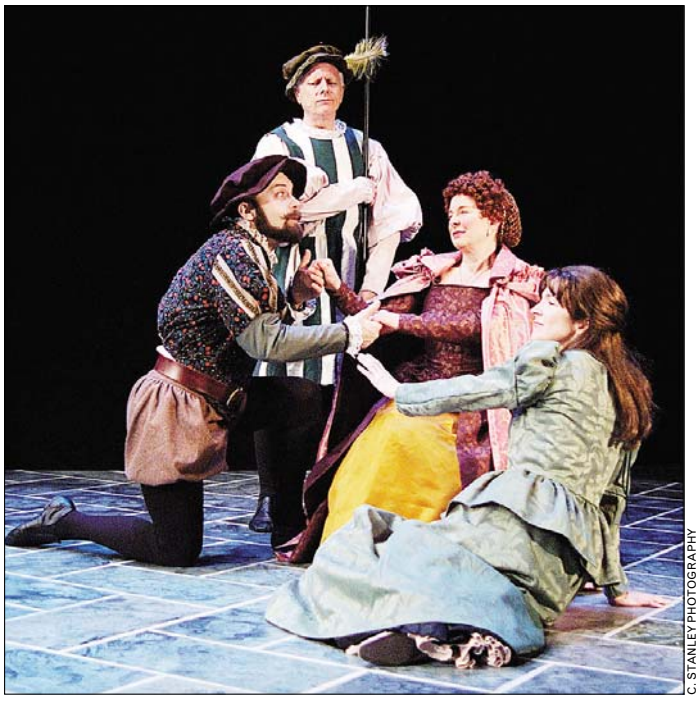
not even the tip jar. It's actually the record sales of the 21st century. It's not extra bonus money. It's *the* money."

Still, Coulton, who returns to the area Saturday afternoon for an all-ages show with Paul and Storm at the Rams Head in Annapolis, sees the benefit of traditional methods. His biggest spike in online traffic followed an appearance on NPR.

After the JJ show, a plot was revealed. When, during "Code Monkey," he got pelted by stuffed animals — many of them simians — that had money safety-pinned to them, it was no accident. Unbeknownst to Coulton, some enterprising soul — who has, in fact, discovered the tip jar of the 21st century — gathered the plushes by the merch table and left a sign encouraging well-wishers to use them to shower the singer with cash. Like everything else in an improbably charmed career, it worked. "People are nicer than you think," Coulton observed. "And more willing to contribute to stuff that they actually care about." GLENN DIXON

➜ *Rams Head Onstage, 33 West St., Annapolis, Md.; Sat., 1 p.m., $15; 410-268-4545.*

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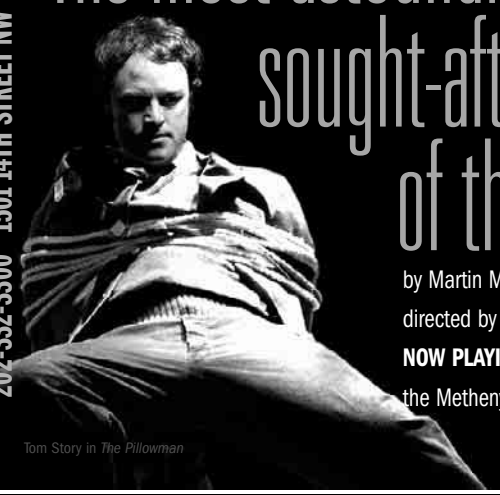
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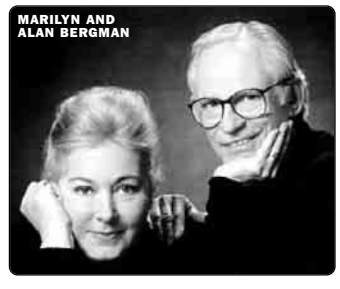
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The Power Of Playing

Timothy Hutton and his screen brood toy with magic in 'Mimzy'

FAMILY MAN | Timothy Hutton is a workhorse actor. Despite the best supporting actor Oscar he won in 1981 for "Ordinary People," he doesn't have a marquee name nor does he attract a lot of attention from the tabloids. But he is highly respected in the industry as a gifted and versatile performer.

As a parent, he was happy to take on a supporting role in the family-friendly fantasy "The Last Mimzy." He plays the father of two youngsters who discover a box full of mysterious toys. Doubting his kids' claims about the toys' magical powers, Hutton's David Wilder soon discovers there is more to these gadgets than meets the eye. Soon he comes to fear for his kids' safety, as the toys appear to hold strange powers over them.

Hutton was familiar with the classic Lewis Padgett short story "Mimsy Were the Borogoves," on which the film is based. But bringing the 1943 tale to the screen was no easy feat. It took the filmmakers 12 years, five writers and 19 drafts for the project to jell.



VNU DIGITAL PHOTO

DANGEROUS GAMES: Hutton plays the father of two children who come across a box of strange toys, which eventually prove to have rather un-toylike powers.

New Line Cinema founder and co-chairman Bob Shaye took an interest in helming the film because he was moved by the story's underlying themes of innocence and evolution.

"It is possible and that we carry around a set of genes that actually are responsible for behavior that we would call innocence," says the director. Because children are surrounded by electronic toys and games that isolate them from others, he fears that those "innocence genes" may eventually disappear. "This isn't a message film, per se, but I do believe that it encourages relationships we have with other people."

Hutton recalls some funny moments while making the film, in particular, the difficulty of shooting a scene in which sugar magically floats from its container to a cereal bowl. The sugar was added later via special effects, but the family had to appear to look at it in amazement floating through the air: "You all just feel so goofy because the direction is, 'Stare at the bowl. OK. One, two, three, eyes go up, and it's swirling and swirling.'" ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

Take 10

THE WASHINGTON POST'S FILM CRITICS TACKLE THIS WEEK'S BOX-OFFICE TOP 10

1 300

The cartoonified version of the day 300 Spartans stood against a much larger horde of Persians is kind of a ghastly hoot. It does no harm, but it also contributes nothing.
STEPHEN HUNTER

2 Wild Hogs

This lame, stupid, sad comedy makes pigs out of John Travolta, William H. Macy, Martin Lawrence and Tim Allen as almost-old men so out of sorts, only a road trip can help. STEPHEN HUNTER

3 Premonition

Sandra Bullock plays Linda Hanson, whose perfect life is suddenly thrown out of whack when she's told her husband has died in a car crash — only to have him reappear the next day. "Premonition" fatally falters in its last moments. ANN HORNADAY

4 Dead Silence

A murdered ventriloquist returns to make dummies of a small town. This film was not screened for review.



TRISTARP PICTURES

SHE'S TOO DISTRAUGHT TO COMB: Bullock's week is disheveled in "Premonition."

5 I Think I Love My Wife

Chris Rock directs and stars in the hilarious misadventures of the married man who seems to have it all and who is tempted to chuck that all for something more exciting.
STEPHEN HUNTER

6 Bridge to Terabithia

The beloved children's book retains its delicate combination of coming-of-age angst, tragedy and fantasy during its trip to the big screen. ANN HORNADAY

7 Ghost Rider

Nicolas Cage stars as a stunt rider who inked a contract with Old Scratch. What follows are a lot of loud, chaotic action sequences. STEPHEN HUNTER

8 Zodiac

This crime and pursuit drama evokes the fear that gripped the Bay City when a monster calling himself "Zodiac" was on the prowl. But mostly, "Zodiac" is people talking. STEPHEN HUNTER

9 Norbit

This Eddie Murphy comedy about the miseries of nerdy Norbit and his overbearing wife (also Murphy) does have its moments, most of them slapstick.
DESSON THOMSON

10 Music & Lyrics

Hugh Grant and Drew Barrymore are great together, and this romantic comedy has both zing and song.
STEPHEN HUNTER

Indies & Arties

A Head of Its Time

What was a scandal in 1923 may seem tame now, but the film of Oscar Wilde's "Salome" is still sensationally decadent. Georgetown University is screening the silent classic on Friday, with Bulgarian pianist Stefan Petrov will providing live accompaniment. The Art Deco classic has it all: seduction, temptation, bloody vengeance, as well Aubrey Beardsley's unmistakable sets. It stars (and was largely financed as a vanity project by) Alla Nazimova as the title teen temptress and upon release, it bombed spectacularly.

→ GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, MCNEIR AUDITORIUM; 36TH AND O STREETS NW, FRI., 1:15 P.M., FREE; 202-687-6933.

'My Father's Beard'

It sounds like an obscure art film with an absurd title, but Luke Johnson's video piece "My Father's Beard" is actually a tribute to and examination of his dad's life through his facial fuzz. Local multimedia artist Johnson will also discuss some of his previous work and preview his next film, "Charter School," a documentary about the opening of a D.C. charter school.



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Aubrey Beardsley's languorous decadence informed the 1923 "Salome."

→ MODERN TIMES AT POLITICS & PROSE, 5015 CONNECTICUT AVE. NW; SAT., 8 P.M., FREE; 202-362-2408. (VAN NESS-UDC)

Food on Film

If there's anything more depressing than watching Campbell Scott's enchanting foodie love letter "Big Night" on an empty stomach, it's watching "Big Night" while eating a gloppy plate of nachos grande. But this weekend, you can plan to enjoy the 1996 dramedy starring Tony Shaloub and Stanley Tucci the way it was meant to be seen — after a lovely Italian dinner.

→ AFI SILVER, 8633 COLESVILLE ROAD, SILVER SPRING; SUN., 7 P.M., $9.25; 301-495-6700. (SILVER SPRING)

Trust and Its Limits

'Doubt' explores a Catholic school crisis that's beyond belief

STAGE | Steely, stern and combative, Cherry Jones' Sister Aloysius serves as a compelling catalyst in John Patrick Shanley's tense, seesawing play "Doubt," being staged through Sunday at the National Theatre with the same cast that brought it ecstatic attention in 2005 — a Tony Award for best play and a Pulitzer Prize.

Set in a Bronx Catholic school shortly after the Kennedy assassination, Sister Aloysius kicks off an investigation of her charismatic, well-liked parish leader, Father Flynn (Chris McGarry), when she begins to question the nature of his relationship with a young student. Using information extracted from the naïve rookie teacher Sister James (Lisa Joyce), Sister Aloysius begins a crusade to expose the father's wrongdoing, even though she has little to back up her suspicion except her intuition.

Jones' Sister Aloysius is a colossus of a character. As the veteran principal of St. Nicholas, she has little time for the patient coddling of newbie teachers and revels in the knowledge that she inspires fear among the student body. But Sister Aloysius' bristling nature is fueled by her devotion to her church and her school, so when she begins her investigation into Father Flynn's alleged wrongdoing, her passion in the pursuit of justice is unwavering.

The play tackles a variety of themes — taking on gender roles, race relations (the child at the center of the scandal is also the school's first African-American student) and the hierarchy of the Catholic Church.

At the center, though, is the play's title motif — the struggle of certainty versus uncertainty, faith, if you will, versus empiricism. Sister Aloysius' continual questioning in the face of Father Flynn's seemingly credible alibi can seem foolhardy or courageous, or even both, often at the same time.

"Doubt requires more courage than conviction does and more energy," Shanley suggests in the play's preface, "because conviction is a resting place and doubt is infinite — it is a passionate exercise." DAN MILLER



CHRIS SCHWARTZ PHOTOGRAPHY

WOULD YOU BELIEVE? Cherry Jones and Chris McGarry spar over secrets and lies.

→ *National Theatre, 1321 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; through Sun., $38-$78; 800-447-7400, nationaltheatre.org. (Metro Center)*

Our Dresses, Ourselves

Native feminine fashion takes center stage at the NMAI

MUSEUMS | The link between women's fashion and identity is undeniable in every culture, whether it functions to flash one's inner diva at the world or to disguise it, to show off, grow up, act smart or play rough.

Exploring the uses and meanings of Native American women's clothing, the National Museum of the American Indian presents "Identity by Design: Tradition, Change, and Celebration in Native Women's Dresses."

With 55 dresses and more than 200 accessories dating from the early 19th century to the present and including purses, moccasins, belts and leggings, the exhibit seeks to illuminate the Native American woman's evolving identity.



ERNEST AMOROSO

Sioux two-hide dress with fully beaded yoke.

Concentrating on the Plains, Plateau and Great Basin regions of the United States and Canada, "Identity by Design" consists mostly of two-hide or three-hide style of dresses, originally made by fitting hides of a deer, elk or bighorn sheep together. And in the case of the three-hide dress, extra fabric creates a poncho-like cape. The exhibition also displays one of 11 side-fold dresses still in existence.

At first glance, the rows of similarly shaped dresses can seem overwhelmingly repetitive. But quotations from the dressmakers explain that each dress tells a story, and a closer look reveals the intricate beading, quillwork and/or painting that relay the narrative.

Knowing that one dress is a homage to husbands, sons or brothers lost at war, or that another took one dressmaker five years to finish, drives home the message that what one wears is a map to a human story.

DARONA WILLIAMS (EXPRESS)

→ *National Museum of the American Indian, 4th Street & Independence Avenue, opens Sat., through Jan. 2, 2008, free; 202-633-1000.*

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COURTESY MATADOR

WELCOME TO THE NEIGH-BORHOOD: The Ponys come thundering out of Chicago with a fuzzed-out sound powered by twin guitars and caffeine pills. Their echoey, loud sound recalls post-punk fuzzmeisters such as Jesus and Mary Chain without the menace, more bedhead than OD. They appear at the Black Cat on Saturday with the sloppy wet kiss that is Black Lips.

The Scene

Sound

➜ THURSDAY

Apex: "College Night," DJ Randy White, VJ Steve Rosa, 9 p.m., $5, free with college ID.

Bangkok Blues: Nadine Ray, 8 p.m., $5-$6.

The Barns at Wolf Trap: Tom Paxton, 8 p.m., $20.

Be Bar: "Pink" (indie pop and electro beats), 9 p.m., free.

Birchmere: North Mississippi Allstars Acoustic, Lucas Reynolds (of Blue Merle) 7:30 p.m., $25.

Black Cat: The Spinto Band, Okay Paddy, Ra Ra Riot, 9 p.m., $10.

Blues Alley: Allen Toussaint, Marva Wright, 8 & 10 p.m., $45.

Bohemian Caverns: Romeir Mendez Trio, 7 p.m., $7.

Crossroads: DJ Majestic (dancehall and hip-hop), 10 p.m., $20, ladies free before 11 p.m. with pass from crossroadsclub.com.

DC9: Monopoli, Ennui, Ali Eskandarian, 9:30 p.m., $8.

Iota: Johnny Dowd, Eastern Blok, 9 p.m., $10.

Jammin' Java: Christopher Williams, Justin McRoberts, 7:30 p.m., $10-$12.

Jaxx: Trouble, Earth Ride, Lord, King Giant, 01 Scratch, 7 p.m., $15-$18.

Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage: The Duology Band, 6 p.m., free.

Love: Omarion and Marques Houston, 9 p.m., $20, free before 10 p.m. (18 and over), free before 11:30 p.m. (21 and over) with pass from lovetheclub.com.

Mirrors: "Phat Thursdays," 9 p.m., $10 for men, ladies free.

LIVE BLUES | THE DELTA FLOODS NORTH



FRANK OCKENFELS III

TIME AFTER TIME: If art is as much about change as it is tradition, latter-day bluesman Keb' Mo' understands how to walk that line. The musician embraces not just the sound but the mind set, the emotions and the experience of early Delta blues, showing the music through a prism of jazz, folk and rock. He brings it all together Sunday at the Rams Head in Baltimore.

9:30 Club: Danny Sanderson, Gidi Gov and Friends, 7 p.m., $55.

The Red & the Black: Manhattan Love Suicides, the Positions, 9:30 p.m., $8.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Halifax, Greeley Estates, Madina Lake, the Vincent Black Shadow, 8 p.m., $10-$12. Audio Electrix with DJs Ikon X-7, Stereofaith, People's Champion, free.

Strathmore, Music Center: Rockapella, 8 p.m., $21-$40.

Twins Jazz: Minor Thoughts Quintet, 8 p.m, $10-$30.

Warehouse: Peeesseye, Violet and Jacob Kirkegaard, Safe, 9:30 p.m., $7.

Zanzibar: Familar Faces, 6 p.m., $25.

➜ FRIDAY

Apex: DJ Melissa, VJ Mark Hawkins, 9 p.m., $9.

Bangkok Blues: Beltway Rockers, the Meteors Blues Swing, 7 p.m., $5-$6.

The Barns at Wolf Trap: John Eaton, 7:30 p.m., $25.

Be Bar: "Be: Absolut" featuring DJs Solomon Sanchez and Ben Parris, 9 p.m., $5.

Birchmere: Delbert McClinton, Patty Reese, 7:30 p.m., $45.

Black Cat: Battles, Mary Timony Band, the Twilight Sad, 9 p.m., $12. "Shee Bop" ('80s alternative dance party) featuring DJ Melli Mel, 9:30 p.m., $5 (backstage).

Blues Alley: Allen Toussaint, Marva Wright, 8 & 10 p.m., $45.

Bohemian Caverns: Young Lions, 9 p.m., $12.

Crossroads: "Escape" (happy hour and dance party), 5 p.m., $15 before 11 p.m., $20 after.

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Apex: 415 22nd St. NW; 202-296-0505.

Bangkok Blues: 926 W. Broad St., Falls Church; 703-534-0095.

The Barns at Wolf Trap: 1635 Trap Road, Vienna; 703-255-1860.

Be Bar: 1318 9th St. NW; 202-232-7450.

Birchmere Music Hall: 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 703-549-7500.

Black Cat: 1811 14th St. NW; 202-667-7960.

Blues Alley: 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-337-4141.

Bohemian Caverns: 2001 11th St. NW; 202-299-0801.

Crossroads: 4103 Baltimore Ave., Bladensburg, Md.; 301-927-1056.

DC9: 1940 9th St. NW; 202-483-5000.

Galaxy Hut: 2711 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-525-8646.

Iota Club & Café: 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-522-8340.

Jammin' Java: 227 Maple Ave., Vienna; 703-255-1566.

Jaxx: 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield; 703-569-5940.

Kennedy Center: 2700 F St. NW; 800-444-1324.

Love: 1350 Okie St. NE; 202-636-9030.

McGinty's Public House: 911 Ellsworth Drive, Silver Spring; 301-587-1270.

Mirrors: 33 New York Ave. NE; 202-326-0774.

9:30 Club: 815 V St. NW; 202-265-0930.

The Red & the Black: 1212 H St. NE; 202-399-3201.

Rock and Roll Hotel: 1353 H St. NE; 202-388-7625.

State Theatre: 220 N. Washington St., Falls Church; 703-237-0300.

Strathmore Music Center: 5301 Tuckerman Lane, Bethesda; 301-581-5100.

Twins Jazz: 1344 U St. NW; 202-234-0072.

Velvet Lounge: 915 U St. NW; 202-462-3213.

Warehouse: 1021 7th St. NW; 202-783-3933.

Zanzibar: 700 Water St. NW; 202-554-9100.

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TheScene

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DC9: Liberation Dance Party, 9:30 p.m., $5.

Iota: Holly Golightly, the Broke-Offs, 9:30 p.m., $12.

Jammin' Java: Rude Buddha, Havok in Hollywood, 8 p.m., $10.

Jaxx: My Favorite Highway, the Friday Night Boys, Kenmore, Kill Ketura, Jefferson Third, Suburban Riot, the Vibe, Sunset Shootout, Split World Collision, 4 p.m., $10-$12.

Kennedy Center: CityDance Ensemble, 6 p.m., free. Mariza, 7:30 p.m., $15-$45.

Love: Hip-hop and R&B, 9 p.m., $20.

Mirrors: Lissen Band, 7 p.m., $20 for men, ladies free before 8 p.m., $15 after.

McGinty's Public House: 2U, 11 p.m., $5.

9:30 Club: RJD2, Busdriver, Happy Chichester, 9 p.m., $20.

The Red and the Black: Sunburned Hand of the Man, Hand Fed Babies, the Young Sinclairs, 9:30 p.m., $10.

Rock and Roll Hotel: Sunburned Hand of the Man, Hand Fed Babies, the Young Sinclairs, 9 p.m., $10.

State Theatre: Politicks, Future, Colouring Lesson, 9 p.m., $10.

Twins Jazz: Michael Thomas (trumpet), 9 & 11 p.m., $15.

Velvet Lounge: Costes, Kohoutek, Mr. Natural, Cash Slave Clique, 8 p.m., $8.

Zanzibar: Happy Hour hosted by Natalie Case, 6 p.m., $25-$30.

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➜ SATURDAY

Apex: "Apex Follies," drag show hosted by Kristina Kelly, DJ Mark Hawkins, VJ Steve Rosa, 9 p.m., $8.

Bangkok Blues: Danny Blew, Johnny Artis, 7 p.m., $5.

Be Bar: "Be: Anthem" (high-energy top 40) featuring DJ Back2Back, 9 p.m., $5.

Birchmere: Leon Redbone, 7:30 p.m., $25.

Black Cat: The Ponys, the Black Lips, Panthers, 9 p.m., $10-$12. "Bliss" dance party with DJ Will Eastman, 9 p.m., $6 (backstage).

Blues Alley: Allen Toussaint, Marva Wright, 8 & 10 p.m., $45.

Bohemian Caverns: Keith Ailer Quartet, 9 p.m., $15.

Crossroads: "Energy Saturday" $20, ladies free before 11 p.m. with pass from crossroadsclub.com.

DC9: Death by Sexy, the Dance Party, the Spotlight, Triggers, 9:30 p.m., $8.

Iota: Taylor Carson (CD release show), Winterpills, 9:30 p.m., $10.

Jammin' Java: Mr. Stinky Feet, 11 a.m., $8. Joey McIntyre (from New Kids on the Block) CD release show, Cooper, 7 p.m., $20.

Jaxx: Fu Manchu, Seemless, Split, Rezin, Valient Thorr, 6:30 p.m., $15-$18.

Kennedy Center: WPAS National Philharmonic of Russia, 4 p.m., $40-$85. The Chicago Academy for the Arts, 6 p.m., free. Alexandros Kapelis, piano: "The Greek Myth and the Piano," 7:30 p.m., $30, Three Tenor (Saxophones): James Moody, Nathan Davis, Quamon Fowler, 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m., $25.

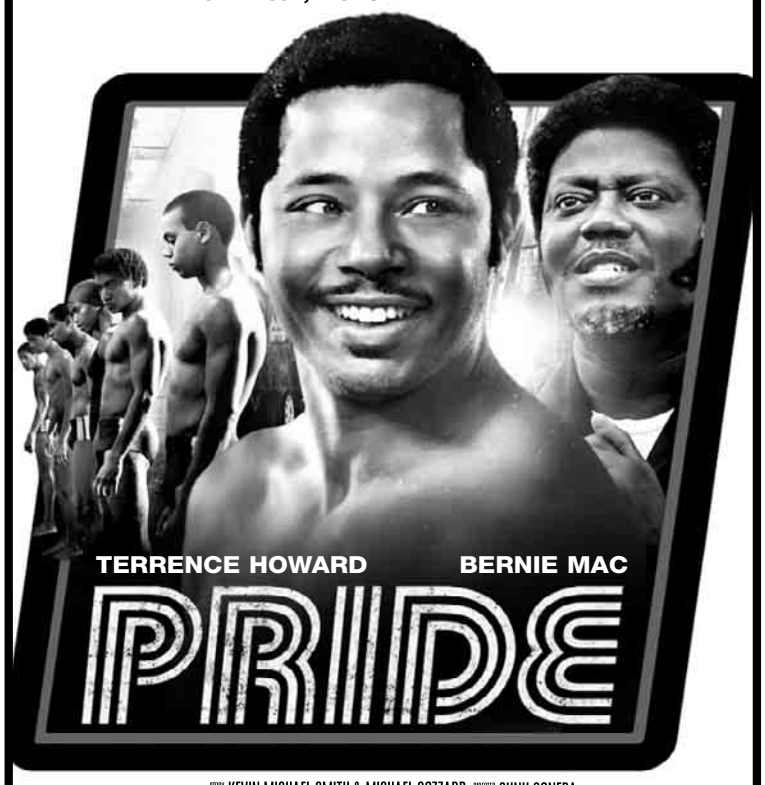
Love: Hip-hop, R&B, 9 p.m., $20.

McGinty's Public House: The Reflex, 10 p.m., $5.

9:30 Club: Super Diamond, 9 p.m., $22.

The Red & the Black: The Anabolics, Nihiltia, the Electricutions, Yell County, DJ Hey Sailor, 9:30 p.m., $8.

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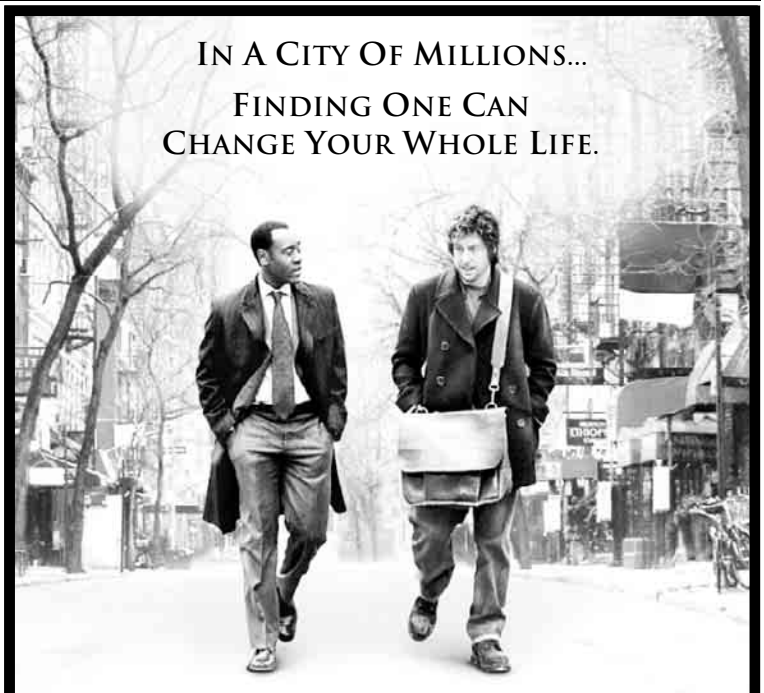
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State Theatre: The Legwarmers, 9 p.m., $14.
Strathmore: Maryland Symphony Orchestra, Annapolis Symphony Orchestra, 2 p.m., $18-$35.
Twins Jazz: Michael Thomas (trumpet), 9 & 11 p.m., $15.
Warehouse: Flex Mathew, Born Divine, 9 p.m., $5-$8.
Velvet Lounge: Alphabetical Order, Len Bias, Black Helicopter, 8 p.m., $8.
Zanzibar: "Reggae on the Waterfront," international dance party, $20 after 9 p.m.

➜ SUNDAY

Bangkok Blues: Open mic with Acme Blues Company, 8 p.m., free.
Be Bar: "Park," (hip-hop and R&B), 9 p.m., free.
Birchmere: Paula Poundstone, 7:30 p.m., $39.50.
Black Cat: "Metal Mayhem" featuring Highwire, DJ Stereo Faith, 9 p.m., $5.
Blues Alley: Allen Toussaint, Marva Wright, 8 & 10 p.m., $45.
Crossroads: Collie Buddz, dancehall Sunday with Jason Steele, 10 p.m., $20.
Galaxy Hut: Eastern Blok, 9 p.m., $5.
Iota: Duke Special, Iain Archer, 8:30 p.m., free.
Jammin' Java: Susan Werner, 7:30 p.m., $20.
Jaxx: The Haunted, Dark Tranquillity, Into Eternity, Scar Symmetry, Undaunted, 6 p.m., $18-$20.
Kennedy Center: The Choral Arts Society of Washington: Bach, Beach and Poulenc, 3 p.m., $17-$59.
9:30 Club: Butch Walker and the Let's Go Out Tonites, the Honorary Title Rocket, 7:30 p.m., $20.
The Red and the Black: Roma Condor, Mikal Evans, Skyway, 9:30 p.m., $7.
Rock and Roll Hotel: Rocky Votolato Owen, Drag the River, 9 p.m., $10-$12.
Strathmore: Sarah Chang (violin), Ashley Wass (piano), 4 p.m., $75-$85.
Velvet Lounge: When Worlds Collide (hip-hop showcase), 8 p.m., $10.
Zanzibar: Sunday Champagne Brunch, 11 a.m., $20.

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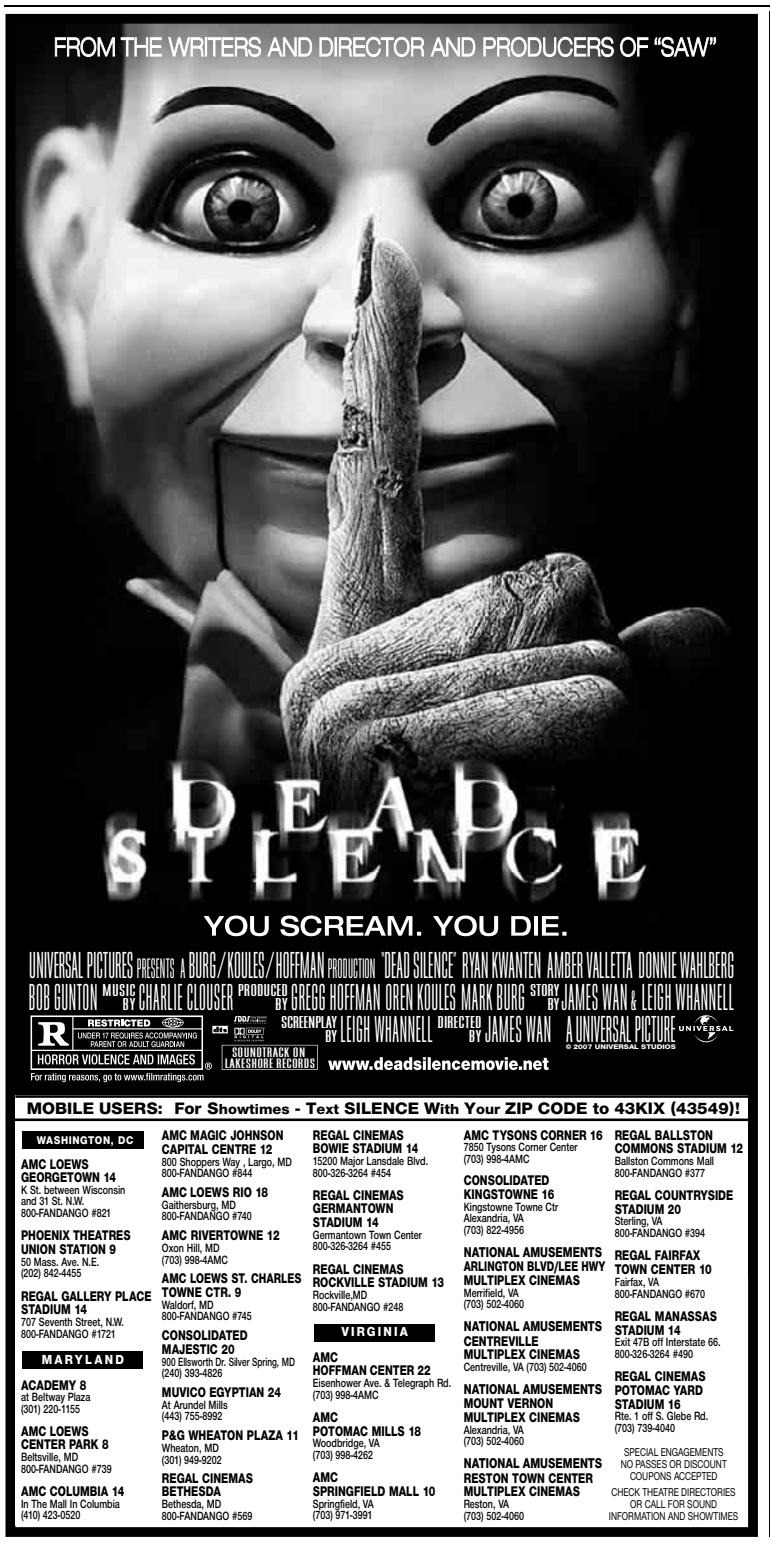
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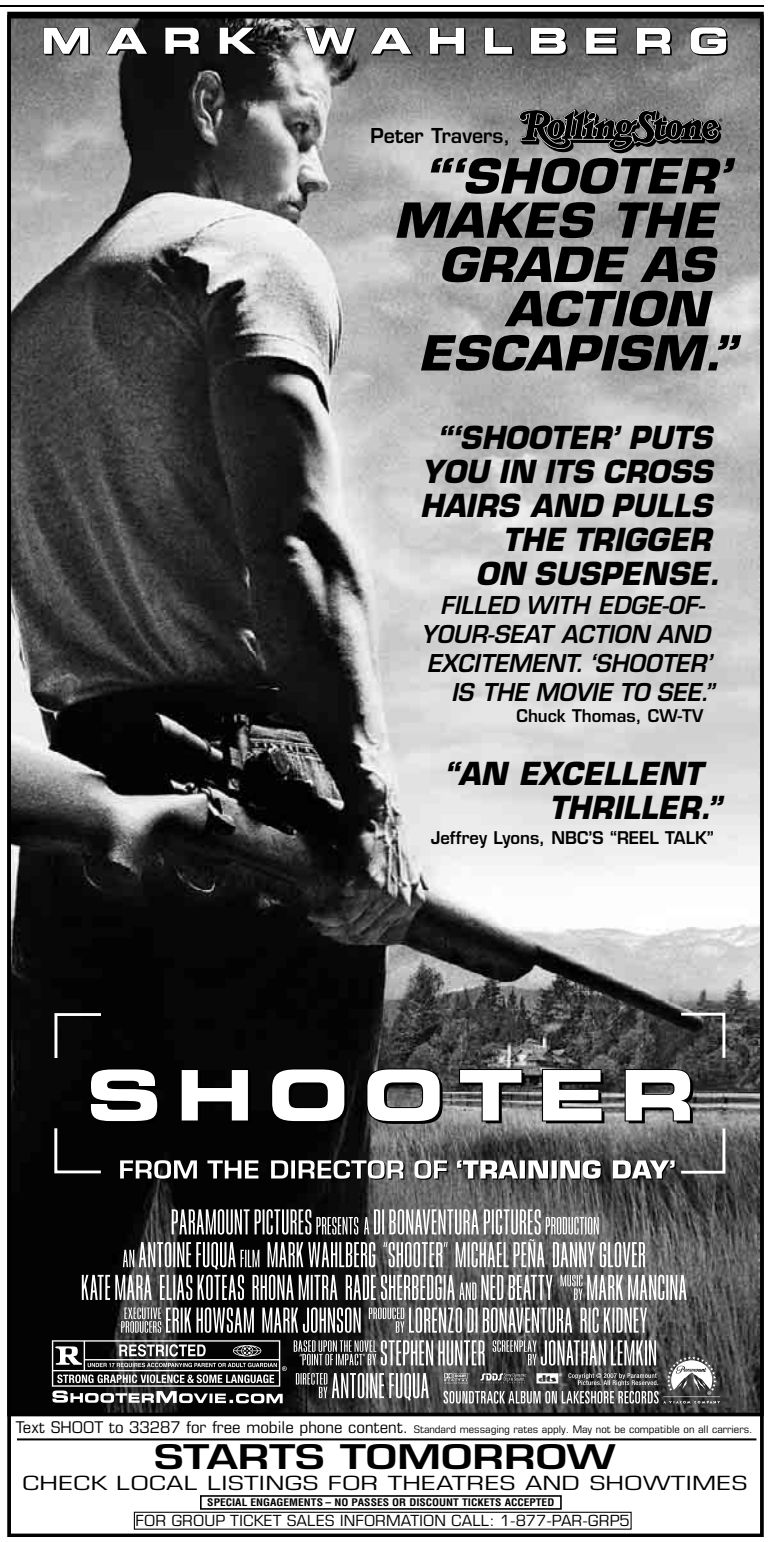


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SAT	3/24	**MIDDLE DISTANCE RUNNER** w/ The Epochs, Dead Trees, Crash Boom Bang
SUN	3/25	**ROCKY VOTOLATO** w/ Owen, Drag The River
MON	3/26	**ANGEL CITY OUTCASTS** w/ Flatfoot 56, Born To Lose, Pessimist Parade
TUE	3/27	**BISHOP ALLEN** + / - Say Hi To Your Mom, Junior League
WED	3/28	**HELLA** w/ Dirty Projectors, Who's Your Favorite Son God
THU	3/29	**VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES BENEFIT** **AUDIO ELECTRIC**
FRI	3/30	**GLUE** w/ Rosetta Stoned
SAT	3/31	**MENOMENA** w/ Field Music, Land Of Talk
MON	4/2	**MEN, WOMEN, & CHILDREN** w/ We Are The Fury, The Drugstore Cowboys
TUE	4/3	**THE LONG WINTERS** w/ The Broken West, Stars of Track and Field
WED	4/4	**XIU XIU** w/ Shearwater, Casiotone for the Painfully Alone
THU	4/5	**THE BLACK ANGELS** w/ VietNam, The Cave Singers **AUDIO ELECTRIC** (upstairs)
FRI	4/6	**POISON THE WELL** w/ Fear Before The March Of Flames, Heavy Heavy Low Low, The End **JERRY JOSEPH ELECTRIC** (post WSP) **DISCO CITY** w/ Chris Burns + Maxmillion Dunbar (upstairs)

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701 Seventh St NW 800-FANDANGO 1721#
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 100 240) 515 650 755 1030
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 235) 505 730 1000
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (1220 120) 310 420 535 710 810 940 1035
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 1245 145 300) 400 500 630 720 830 945 1025
ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210) 700
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240) 350 735 1020
THE NUMBER 23 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1205) 450 1010
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (1155 230) 510 750 1025
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (110) 410 715 950
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG-13) DIG (225) 745
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG 340 920
OC: ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (335) 1030
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (1150 220) 455 740 1005

BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12
Glebe Rd, Arlington 800-FANDANGO 377#
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) ★
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (255 520) 750 1020
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (150 220 420 450) 650 720 920 950
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 140 340 410 440) 640 710 740 930 1000 1030
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (115 415) 715 1015
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (230 510) 800 1040
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (205 435) 705 935
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG 1025 PM
THE QUEEN (PG-13) DIG (155) 700 940
PAN'S LABYRINTH (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 400) 655 945
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (135 435) 730
THE NUMBER 23 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (430) PM

BOWIE STADIUM 14
15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#
Adv. Tix on Sale MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240 200 300 445 530) 730 830 1000 1055
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (205 430) 720 950
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (130 430) 700 945
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 100 200 330 400 515) 715 745 815 1005 1030 1100
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 1050 PM
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (215 500) 745 1015
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (1245 400) 700 955
THE NUMBER 23 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 300 540) 830
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (130 515) 800 1035
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (1235 300 530) 805 1035
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG-13) DIG (100 420) 715 945
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG (115 450) 730 1000

BETHESDA 10
7272 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 569#
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) ★
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (200 445) 800 1015
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 430) 745 1000
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (145 445) 745 1010
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 130 345 415) 700 730 945 1015
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (130 415) 715 935
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (145 430) 730 1000
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (115 345) 700 935
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (100 330) 645 915
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13) DIG (100 400) 715 945

POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16
3575 Jefferson Davis Hwy 800-FANDANGO 690#
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (300 525) 750 1015
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (220 250 445 515) 710 740 935 1005
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (130 200 420 450) 650 720 920 950
300 - DIGITAL PROJECTION (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 405) 700 955
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (140 210 335 435 505) 630 730 800 925 1025
ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1255) PM
OC: ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (425) 755
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (355) 930
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (150 430) 705 940
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (215 455) 735 1020
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (125 400) 635 910
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (135 415) 715 1000
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG-13) DIG (255 520) 745 1010
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13) DIG (100) PM
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG (120) 645

COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20
45980 Regal Plaza 800-FANDANGO 394#
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) ★
300 - DIGITAL PROJECTION (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 400) 700 1000
OC: ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (420) 750
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (1250 350) 650 950
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 250 515) 745 1015
BEHIND THE MASK: THE RISE OF LESLIE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1135 215 445) 710 940
ULTIMATE GIFT (PG) DIG (1220 335) 640 1005
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (1130 1200 200 300 450 550) 740 840 1030
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1145 240 500) 720 1025
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1130 1230 150 230 330 440 530) 630 730 830 930 1020
ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110) PM
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (1135 140 240 430 540) 715 810 1010
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (1215 320) 655 945
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (1240 340) 635 920
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (1210 310) 620 900
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13) DIG (120 345) 645 915
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG (1245 315) 625 910
THE NUMBER 23 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1140 220 510) 800 1035

ROCKVILLE CENTER STADIUM 13
Rockville Town Center 800-FANDANGO 248#
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130 430) 730 1000
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (200 500) 800 1015
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (130 200 415 500) 730 800 1000 1030
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 145 415 445 515) 715 745 815 1015
ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D (100 430) 745
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (115 415) 715 945
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (100) 700
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (145 445) 745 1015
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (215 515) 800 1030
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (100 400) 700 930
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13) DIG (215) PM
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (400) 945

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10
4110 W Ox Road 800-FANDANGO 670#
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130 435) 730 1000
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 415) 745 1010
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (100 140 400 440) 720 755 945 1020
THE HOST (R) - ID REQ'D (135 420) 705 950
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (125 350) 700 930
WILD HOGS (PG-13) (200 430) 740 1005
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (105 405) 710 955
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (120 425) 735 1015
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (110 355) 650 940

GERMANTOWN STADIUM 14
20000 Century Blvd 800-FANDANGO 455#
Adv. Tix on Sale MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (1245 145 415 500) 715 800 1000 1040
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 430) 730 1010
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 245 515) 800 1030
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 200 400 445 530) 700 745 830 1000 1045
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (115 430) 715 950
ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130) 645 1015
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (1250 350) 650 945
THE NUMBER 23 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240) PM
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (110 420) 700 950
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (1250 415) 730 1015
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (1245 400) 645 930
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13) DIG (1230) PM
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG (420) 815 1040

UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14
9161 Commerce Ctr Dr 800-FANDANGO 570#
Adv. Tix on Sale MEET THE ROBINSONS (G) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DCI CLASSIC COUNTDOWN 2007 (NR) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale EUGENE ONEGIN ENCORE (NR) ★
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (200 445) 730 1015
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (200 500) 800 1030
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (145 445) 745 1015
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 100 130 430 500) 715 745 815 1030
ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (415) 800
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (145 430) 730 1000
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (1245 330) 645 930
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (115 415) 715 945
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (1245 345) 645 915
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (115 400) 700 930
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13) DIG (100 345) 630 915
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG (130) PM
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 330) 700 945
OC: 300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (400) 1000

MANASSAS STADIUM 14
11380 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#
Adv. Tix on Sale REIGN OVER ME (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale THE LAST MIMZY (PG) ★
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1225 245 500) 730 945
DEAD SILENCE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1205 225 445) 745 1020
PREMONITION (PG-13) DIG (1145 205 425) 700 920
300 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 100 250 325 400) 650 720 750 935 1005 1030
ZODIAC (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 310) 630 950
WILD HOGS (PG-13) DIG (1155 110 215 350 435) 705 735 930 1000
THE NUMBER 23 (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (440) 955
AMAZING GRACE (PG) DIG (1220 315) 640 925
BREACH (PG-13) DIG (1215 300) 655 940
GHOST RIDER (PG-13) DIG (1240 335) 725 1015
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) DIG (1200 220 450) 740 1010
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG-13) DIG (1210) PM
NORBIT (PG-13) DIG (1245) 715

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BEHIND THE MASK: THE RISE OF LESLIE VERNON (R) 3:05, 5:20, 8:05, 10:35
DEAD SILENCE (R) ✓ 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:40
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) ✓ 2:00, 4:25, 7:15, 10:00
MY BROTHER (PG13) 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:45
PREMONITION (PG13) ✓ 1:15, 1:55, 4:00, 4:30, 6:25, 7:30, 9:10, 10:30
PREMONITION (PG13) CC ✓ 1:55, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
300 (R) 1:30, 2:45, 3:45, 4:45, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:15
WILD HOGS (PG13) 1:50, 2:50, 4:40, 5:40, 7:35, 8:10, 10:10, 10:40
ZODIAC (R) 2:30, 6:30, 10:20
THE NUMBER 23 (R) 1:20, 4:35, 7:05, 9:40
RENO 911!: MIAMI (R) 6:55, 9:45
BREACH (PG13) 1:25, 4:15, 7:10, 9:55
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 1:10, 3:40, 6:35, 9:00
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 1:40, 4:25, 7:20, 10:05
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) 1:05, 3:55, 6:50, 9:30
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG13) 1:45, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50
NORBIT (PG13) 1:05, 3:50, 6:40, 9:20

AMC SELECT
THE ULTIMATE GIFT (PG) 1:00, 4:05
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 2:05, 4:50, 7:40, 10:25
AMAZING GRACE (PG) 1:35, 4:10, 6:45, 9:25

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14
3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441

DEAD SILENCE (R) ✓ 2:15, 4:40, 7:00, 9:30
DEAD SILENCE (R) CC ✓ 2:15, 4:40, 7:00, 9:30
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) ✓ 2:45, 5:05, 7:35, 10:05
PREMONITION (PG13) ✓ 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:50
300 (R) 1:10, 2:05, 4:00, 4:55, 6:45, 7:45, 9:35, 10:25
WILD HOGS (PG13) 3:00, 5:35, 8:10, 10:25
ZODIAC (R) 1:00, 3:25, 4:30, 8:00, 10:20
THE NUMBER 23 (R) 5:25
BREACH (PG13) 2:30, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) 3:05, 5:40, 8:15, 10:30

AMC SELECT
THE NAMESAKE (PG13) 1:45, 4:35, 7:30, 10:30
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 2:40, 7:55, 10:30
AMAZING GRACE (PG) 2:10, 4:45, 7:25, 10:10
PAN'S LABYRINTH (R) 1:30, 4:20, 10:00

AMC SPRINGFIELD MALL 10
Loisdale and Franconia Road
703-971-3991

DEAD SILENCE (R) ✓ 5:00, 7:30
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) 1:15, 3:30, 5:50, 8:30
PREMONITION (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00
300 (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30
WILD HOGS (PG13) 1:45, 4:10, 7:00
THE NUMBER 23 (R) 4:30, 7:15
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 4:00, 7:00
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 4:20, 7:20
NORBIT (PG13) 5:15, 8:00

AMC SELECT
THE ULTIMATE GIFT (PG) 5:30, 8:30

LOEWS RIO CINEMAS 18
9811 Washingtonian Boulevard
301-948-0906

DEAD SILENCE (R) ✓ 1:00, 3:30, 5:50, 8:10, 10:30
DEAD SILENCE (R) CC ✓ 1:00, 3:30, 5:50, 8:10, 10:30
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) 12:50, 3:15, 5:45, 8:00, 10:30
PREMONITION (PG13) ✓ 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
300 (R) 12:40, 1:20, 3:20, 4:10, 6:05, 7:10, 8:50, 10:00
WILD HOGS (PG13) 1:05, 2:10, 3:40, 4:50, 6:10, 7:30, 8:40, 9:50
ZODIAC (R) 2:30, 6:10, 9:40
THE NUMBER 23 (R) 1:30, 4:05, 6:20, 8:40
BREACH (PG13) 1:25, 4:05, 6:40, 9:20
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 12:50, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 10:20
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 1:10, 3:50, 6:30, 9:00
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) 1:10, 3:50, 6:35, 9:20
NORBIT (PG13) 1:50, 4:20, 7:30, 10:10

AMC SELECT
THE HOST (R) 1:55, 4:40, 7:40, 10:20
THE ULTIMATE GIFT (PG) 1:40, 4:20, 7:05, 9:55
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 1:30, 4:25, 7:20, 10:00
AMAZING GRACE (PG) 1:20, 4:15, 6:50, 9:30

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18
2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
703-998-4262

DEAD SILENCE (R) ✓ 1:05, 3:20, 5:35, 7:50, 10:10
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) ✓ 1:00, 3:25, 5:40, 7:55, 10:15
PREMONITION (PG13) ✓ 1:35, 4:20, 7:05, 9:40
300 (R) 1:15, 2:15, 3:15, 4:15, 5:15, 6:15, 7:15, 8:15, 9:15, 10:15
WILD HOGS (PG13) 1:10, 2:10, 3:50, 4:50, 6:30, 7:30, 9:05, 10:05
WILD HOGS (PG13) CC 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:05
ZODIAC (R) 1:30, 5:00, 8:30
THE NUMBER 23 (R) 1:25, 4:00, 7:10, 9:35
RENO 911!: MIAMI (R) 4:40, 10:00
BREACH (PG13) 1:55, 4:45, 7:25, 10:00
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 1:45, 4:35, 7:20, 10:05
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG13) 2:05, 4:25, 7:00, 9:25
NORBIT (PG13) 1:50, 4:05, 6:50, 9:20

AMC SELECT
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 1:40, 7:20
AMAZING GRACE (PG) 1:20, 4:10, 6:55, 9:45

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14
10300 Patuxent Parkway
410-423-0520

DEAD SILENCE (R) 1:15, 3:20, 5:30, 7:40, 9:50
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) 1:50, 4:20, 6:40, 9:00
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) DS CC 1:50, 4:20, 6:40, 9:00
PREMONITION (PG13) 2:10, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20
300 (R) 1:10, 2:00, 3:00, 3:50, 4:40, 5:40, 6:30, 7:20, 8:20, 9:10, 10:00
WILD HOGS (PG13) 1:20, 3:45, 6:20, 8:50
ZODIAC (R) 2:50, 6:10, 9:30
THE NUMBER 23 (R) 4:50, 9:35
BREACH (PG13) 1:40, 4:10, 6:50, 9:25
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 2:40, 5:05, 7:25, 9:45
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 1:30, 4:05, 6:45, 9:15
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) 2:05, 7:10
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG13) 2:30, 7:35
NORBIT (PG13) 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:40

AMC SELECT
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 4:55, 9:55

LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8
8065 Leesburg Pike
703-506-9857 802

THE ASTRONAUT FARMER (PG) 5:10, 7:40
RENO 911!: MIAMI (R) 4:00, 6:00, 8:10
NORBIT (PG13) 5:20, 7:50
BECAUSE I SAID SO (PG13) 5:30, 8:00

AMC SELECT
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 4:40, 7:20
AMAZING GRACE (PG) 4:50, 7:30
BABEL (R) 7:00
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R) 4:30, 7:10
THE QUEEN (PG13) 4:40

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220

DEAD SILENCE (R) 12:05, 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 10:05
I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) 12:35, 3:05, 5:35, 8:05, 10:35
MY BROTHER (PG13) 1:35, 4:05, 6:35, 9:05
PREMONITION (PG13) 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:20
300 (R) 12:25, 1:25, 3:25, 4:25, 6:05, 7:05, 8:45, 9:50
WILD HOGS (PG13) 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 12:40, 3:10, 5:25, 8:00, 10:25
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG13) 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
NORBIT (PG13) 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:10, 10:30

AMC SELECT
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 1:15, 4:00, 6:45, 9:30

LOEWS DUPONT 5
1350 19th St.
1-800-FANDANGO #711

300 (R) 4:10, 5:00, 7:00, 7:45
TWO WEEKS (R) 4:45, 7:30
BREACH (PG13) 4:30, 7:15

AMC SELECT
STARTER FOR 10 (PG13) 5:15, 8:00

LOEWS UPTOWN 1
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300 (R) 12:45, 1:30, 2:30, 3:20, 4:20, 5:30, 6:15, 7:30, 8:30, 9:15, 10:30
WILD HOGS (PG13) 1:15, 2:15, 3:45, 5:00, 6:30, 7:45, 9:00, 10:15
ZODIAC (R) 12:50, 2:00, 4:05, 5:20, 7:20, 8:40, 10:35
THE NUMBER 23 (R) 1:00, 3:15, 5:35, 7:55, 10:25
BREACH (PG13) 1:50, 4:25, 7:15, 10:00
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 12:55, 3:10, 5:25, 7:40, 10:20
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 1:25, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) 1:20, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) CC 1:20, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45

AMC SELECT
DREAMGIRLS (PG13) 1:35, 4:35, 7:35, 10:40

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I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) ✓ 5:30, 8:10
PREMONITION (PG13) ✓ 5:25, 8:05
300 (R) 4:50, 7:45
WILD HOGS (PG13) 5:10, 8:10
ZODIAC (R) 4:10, 7:15
BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 4:35, 7:10
GHOST RIDER (PG13) 5:00, 7:50
TYLER PERRY'S DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS (PG13) 4:40, 7:20
NORBIT (PG13) 4:30, 7:00
STOMP THE YARD (PG13) 4:45, 7:30

AMC SELECT
BLACK SNAKE MOAN (R) 5:15, 7:50

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8
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I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R) ✓ 4:40, 7:10, 9:30
WILD HOGS (PG13) 5:30, 8:00, 10:20
ZODIAC (R) 6:40, 10:00
BREACH (PG13) 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) 5:00, 7:30, 10:10

AMC SELECT
NOTES ON A SCANDAL (R) 5:10, 7:40, 9:40
CHILDREN OF MEN (R) 5:20, 7:50, 10:30
MISS POTTER (PG) 4:30, 7:00, 9:20

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TWO WEEKS (R) 1:40, 4:10, 7:00

AMC SELECT
THE HOST (R) 2:30, 4:50, 7:30
STARTER FOR 10 (PG13) 2:10, 4:20, 7:40
AMAZING GRACE (PG) 2:20, 4:40, 7:20
THE LIVES OF OTHERS (R) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10
THE QUEEN (PG13) 1:30, 3:50, 7:10

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ZODIAC (R) 3:00, 6:15
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BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA (PG) 2:00, 4:20
MUSIC AND LYRICS (PG13) 2:55, 5:15, 7:45
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THE HOST (R)
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PAN'S LABYRINTH (R)
1:45, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R)
1:30, 4:10, 7:15, 9:55
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9:55 am, 12:00, 2:15, 4:35, 7:50, 9:55
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9:50 am, 12:10, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50
THE LIVES OF OTHERS (R)
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In the meantime, the Silver Spring location is spiffing up. The owners of the building — which also houses Moorenko's Ice Cream — are asking shops to add entrances and convert walls to plate glass to make the alley more crowd-friendly for weekend and after-work events.

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'Beer Director' — Every Young Man's Dream Job

This month marks the debut of chef Frank Morales' Mosaics at Rustico, for which he and beer director Greg Engert have collaborated to create one of the area's first beer-pairing menus.



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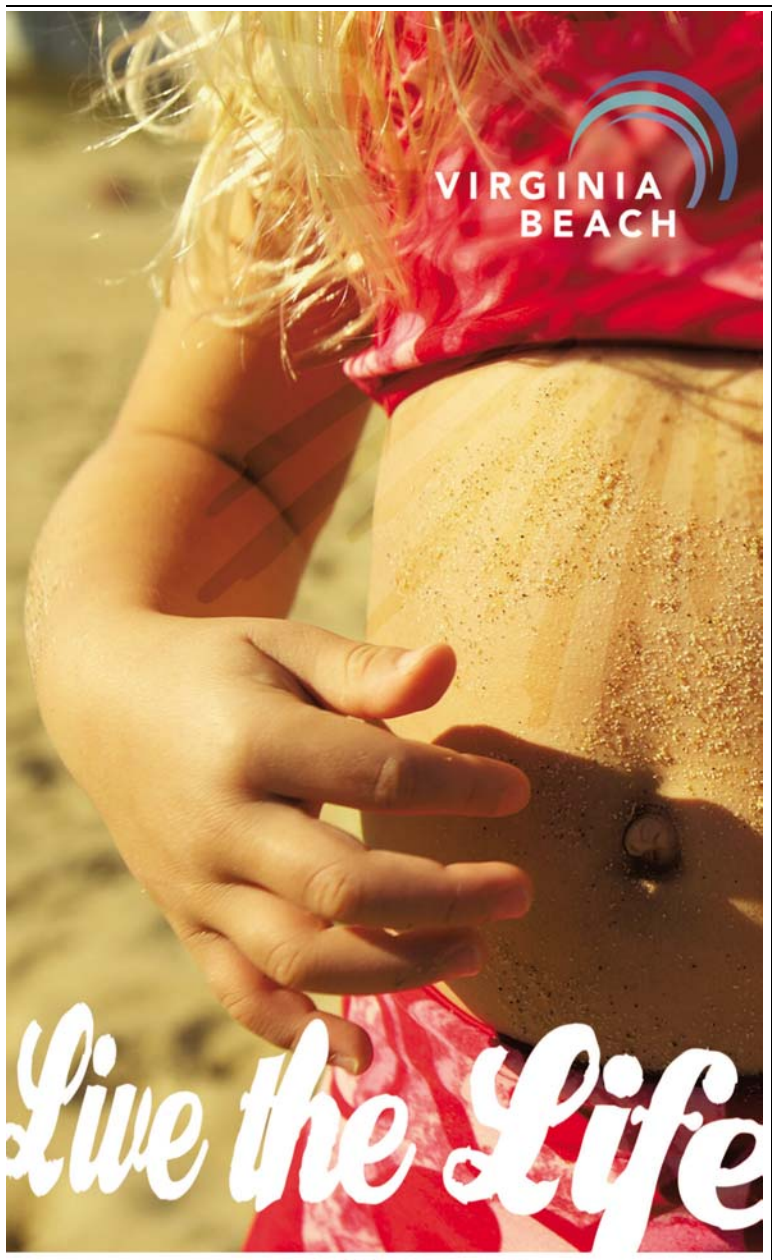
Small plates on the Mosaics menu can be ordered individually or as one of seven trios, which include spreads, soups, pot pies, tuna and pork.

The small plates include air-dried beef with Vermont butter and fromage blanc ($6), a country ham and 18-month Bandage cheddar grilled cheese ($6), and a tuna carpaccio with rosemary sea salt and citrus jam brown butter ($7).

More adventurous customers may want to order a full trio with the beer selection to experience the interplay of flavors between the beef and a Harviestoun Bitter and Twisted, the ham and cheese and a Bell's Two Hearted Ale, or the tuna carpaccio with Celis White, for example. Food trios range from $11 to $17, while beer pairings run about $10 for a hearty sampling of three brews.

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BOTTOMS UP | D.C.'s classic drink renaissance is part of the national trend toward cocktails that evoke a '40s lounge rather than a spring break bash. With the use of small-batch rye, bourbon, bitters and vermouth, cocktail menus for spring nod toward the formal, regardless of the bar's dress code.

Shaken and Stirred

McCormick & Schmick's recently launched its new drink menu, Great American Cocktails, which categorizes drinks according to the years of their debut, such as "Early Days and the Golden Years: 1806-1920" or "Prohibition and Beyond: 1920-Today." Each listing features information about a cocktail's history, such as the Manhattan from 1874, made here with Gentleman Jack, sweet vermouth, Regan's No. 6 Orange and Angostura bitters ($12). Looking for something from the more recent past? Have bartender Greg Norris pour a Moscow Mule, the Los Angeles-bred drink from the '40s made with Stolichnaya, lime, ginger and soda ($8.25).

Mottled

Firefly's bar manager Will Earls honed his drink-making skills while working as the head of the front of the house at FEMA's base camp in St. Bernard Parish, La., last year. Order an Old Fashioned ($10) and Earls will pour a little ice in a small rocks glass, mottle Bing cherries and fresh orange with simple syrup, add 2 ounces of Maker's Mark, then ice, and swirl. In the mood for a twist on an old classic? Stay tuned for Firefly's updated drink menu set to roll out on March 28.

Egged

Don't worry: The egg whites in bar manager Chris Cunningham's drinks at Dino are pasteurized. Drinks such as the bourbon fizz ($10) — made with small-batch Old Pogue bourbon, lemon sour, orange bitters, egg white, Sprite and cinnamon — will make converts. And if that doesn't work, there's always the Pisco Italiano ($9), a twist on the Pisco Sour. And remember, you read it here first: This retread of a trend has only just begun.



COURTESY FIREFLY

Firefly's new-fashioned Old Fashioned with Bing cherries and fresh orange.

Juiced

Looking for some fruit or infusions in your cocktail? Oya's drink menu, created by wine director Andrew Stover and his fellow bartenders, includes options for those looking for a little squeeze. The Cruiser is an update on the tropical '50s pour; it's made with Kluge Estate Chardonnay and pomegranate schnapps and garnished with orange and lime wedges ($10).

Oya also makes a Darker and Stormier, a twist on the classic tropical concoction with ginger, lime and coriander-infused rum, lime juice and ginger beer ($13). Anticipate new spring cocktails at the end of the month in rose and cherry flavors to commemorate the arrival of the cherry blossoms — and visitors — on the Mall.

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➜ *McCormick & Schmick's, 1652 K St. NW; 202-861-2233.*
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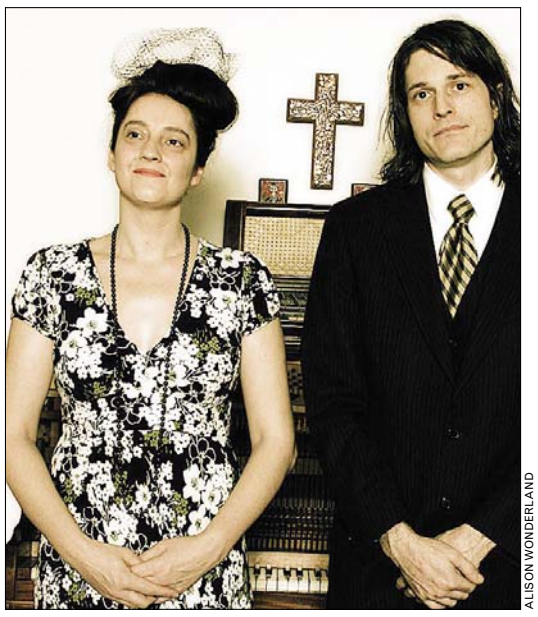
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Songbird With An Old Soul

HOLLY GOLIGHTLY is a honky-tonk siren from another age. With a voice as solid as a hardwood floor, she puts over songs that draw upon a repertoire of pre-Woodstock music modules; like a great outfit, each element hangs together beautifully and never screams vintage. You've heard her singing "It's True That We Love One Another" with Jack White on the White Stripes' album "Elephant," but this British chanteuse has plenty to offer on her own. Hear her country/blues/folk/soul numbers, united only in their inability to raise a cheery smile, when she hits Iota on Friday with bandmate Lawyer Dave. ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

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Carter Hodgkin, through April 7. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-232-0707.

American Art Museum and National Portrait Gallery: "Portraiture Now," through April 29. "Gifts to the Nation," through June 3. "Temple of Invention: History of a National Landmark," the construction of "the noblest of Washington's buildings," through July 8. "The Presidency and the Cold War," through July 8. 8th & F streets NW; 202-633-1000, www.npg.si.edu.

Anacostia Community Museum: "Two Hundred Years of Black Paper Dolls: The Collection of Arabella Grayson," tracing social change through paper dolls, through April 29. "D.C. Undercover: Photographs by Steven M. Cummings," photos of District citizens with a focus on headgear, through April 29. "Banding Together: Public School Bands as Instruments of Opportunity," through May. 1901 Fort Place SE; 202-633-1000, anacostia.si.edu.

Ann Loeb Bronfman Gallery: "5+5," a 10-year anniversary exhibit featuring the works of 10 artists with local roots, including Sam Gilliam and Jae Ko, through May 13. 16th and Q streets NW, 202-777-3208, washingtondcjcc.org.

Arlington Arts Center: "Equinox: A Juried All-Media Exhibition," the work of artists focused on manipulated materials, abstraction and the figure, through March 31. 3550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-248-6800, arlingtonartscenter.org.

Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: "East of Eden: Gardens in Asian Art," explores the historical and cultural themes found in the gardens of Asia, through May 13. "Tea Bowls in Bloom," through July 15. 1050 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000. www.asia.si.edu.

Conner Contemporary Art: Mark Bennett's meticulous, quietly ironic drawings of the floor plans of iconic houses from the movies, through April 7. 1730 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-588-8750.

Corcoran Gallery of Art: "Modernism: Designing a New World 1914-1939," with about 400 objects and dozens of film clips, this is a comprehensive survey of how the 20th-century movement changed everything from graphics to home interiors to product design, architecture and, of course, art, through July 29. "Masterpieces: European Art From the Collection," work of the past 100 years from French Impressionism, Dutch paintings, Italian Renaissance and British landscapes, through Sept. "Olga Hirshhorn Collects," selections from the permanent collection with an emphasis on 20th-century American and European art-

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LIVE ROCK | MUSICAL MELTING POT



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THE AXIS OF ROCKING OUT: Croatian jazz guitarist Goran Ivanovic invited a bunch of American musicians to help him celebrate his Balkan folk roots by playing a scorching combination of flamenco, blues, jazz and folk as the group Eastern Blok. The group races through its repertoire with Euro-American aplomb on Thursday night at Iota in Arlington.

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ists, ongoing. 500 17th St. NW; 202-639-1700, corcoran.org.

Cross Mackenzie Ceramic Arts: Walter McConnell's installation "The Theory of Everything," through March 31. 1054 31st St. NW; 202-333-7970, crossmackenzieceramicarts.com.

Curator's Office: "Business," Andy Moon Wilson presents his installation of more than 1,000 business cards, as well as his new collection of drawings, through April 7. 1515 14th St. NW, Suite 201; 202-387-1008, curatorsoffice.com.

DAR Museum: "Myth or Truth? Stories We've Heard About Early America," the museum examines the reliability of "history," through March 31. 1776 D St. NW; 202-572-0563, dar.org.

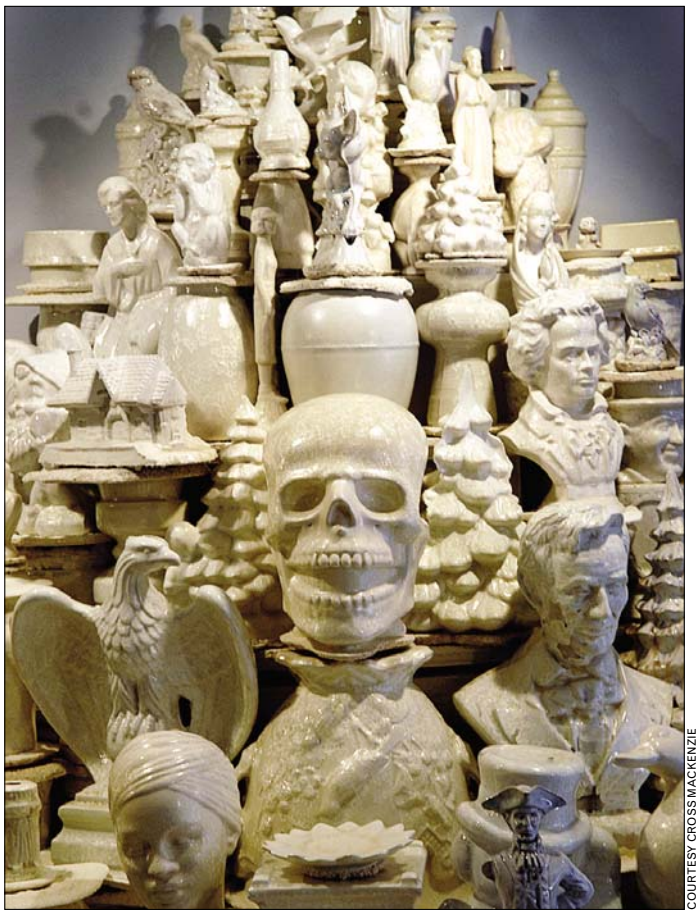
LAST CHANCE Dissident Display Studio and Gallery: "Adult Playground: Strip Club Stories in Words and Pictures," personal stories and daring images, through Sun. 416 H St. NE; 202-332-3346. www.dissidentdisplay.com

District of Columbia Arts Center: "The Jolly Cowboy" Cara Ober curates a show focusing on that most rugged of American icons, through April 8. 2438 18th St. NW; 202-462-7833, www.dcartscenter.org.

District Fine Arts: "Love Will Keep Us Together ... Love Will Tear Us Apart," various artists meditate on l'amour and its follies, through April 7. 1726 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-328-9100. dfaonline.com.

Elizabeth Stone Gallery: "A Tiny Spider & A Giant Bird," Children's illustrator explores characters for the Jewish Holidays, through April 7. 1127 King St., Suite 201, Alexandris; 703-706-0025. elizabethstonegallery.com

GALLERIES | CREEPY BUT NOT CRAWLY



COURTESY CROSS MACKENZIE

THE ALTAR OF KITSCH: All of your most profound questions are being answered right now in a small art gallery in Georgetown. Walter McConnell's "The Theory of Everything," an astonishing faux faux-naive installation, spills throughout Cross MacKenzie Ceramic Arts, is a riot of luscious white porcelain figurines piled like a solemn shrine to the art of adornment.

TheScene

Embassy of Finland: "Birdhouse: An Exhibition by Kaj Stenvall," the Finnish artist's pop-surrealist duck goes to the pub, takes a cruise and engages in other human acts in this display of paintings, opens Fri., through May 13, closed March 22, 23, 27 and 29; April 6, 7, 8, 9 and 24. 3301 Massachussetts Ave. NW; finland.org.

Flashpoint: "Shifting Waters," Janis Goodman explores the ocean's waves and tides through large-scale drawings, through April 21. 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1310, flashpointdc.org.

Embassy of Australia: "The Roving Eye" explores how travel influences art through various media, through March 30. 1601 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-797-3237.

Folger Shakespeare Library: "Shakespeare in American Life," depictions of how Shakespeare's works and legends have reflected the growth and concerns of the United States, through Aug. 18. 201 East Capitol St. SE; 202-544-7077, www.folger.edu.

Foundry Gallery: "Mostly Monotypes," husband-and-wife team Ann and Philip Bennet create watercolor paintings inspired by photographs and abstract images. "The Power of Water" features detailed, boldly colored paintings by Zenobia, both through April 1. 1314 18th St. NW; 202-463-0203, foundry-gallery.org.

Fraser Gallery: "... But What Have We Gained?," Tim Tate's sculptures in glass, through April 7. 7700 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 301-718-9651, thefrasergallery.com.

Freer Gallery of Art/Arthur M. Sackler Gallery: "Perspectives: Simryn Gill," the Singapore-born contemporary artist transforms found natural objects into enigmatic installations, through April 29. "Daoism and the Arts of China," through June 10. "Parades: Freer Ceramics Installed by Gwyn Hansen Pigott," through Nov. 4. Jefferson Drive & 12th Street SW; 202-633-4880, www.asia.si.edu.

G Fine Art: "Graham Caldwell: Anatomies," the artist's phantasmagoric, elegant, dangerous, almost creaturely glass works, through March 31. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-462-1601, gfineart.com.

Galerie Myrtis: "Art of the Collectors," African and African-American works of art from prominent local collectors, ongoing. 500 9th St. SE; 202-548-7575. galeriemyrtis.com.

Gallery Neptune: "One/Family," Erica Orgen's familar and comforting portraits of her own family and friends, through March 31. 4808 Auburn Ave., Bethesda; 301-718-0809, galleryneptune.com.

Gallery Plan B: Paintings by Gail Vollrath, mixed media by Mike McClung, through April 1. 1530 14th St. NW; 202-234-2711, galleryplanb.com.

Gogo Art Projects: "The Kudzu Project," Matthew Sutton's installation of the voracious, fast-growing vine changes daily, through Aug. 1. 1730 Connecticut Ave. NW, 2nd floor; 202-588-8777, gogoartprojects.com.

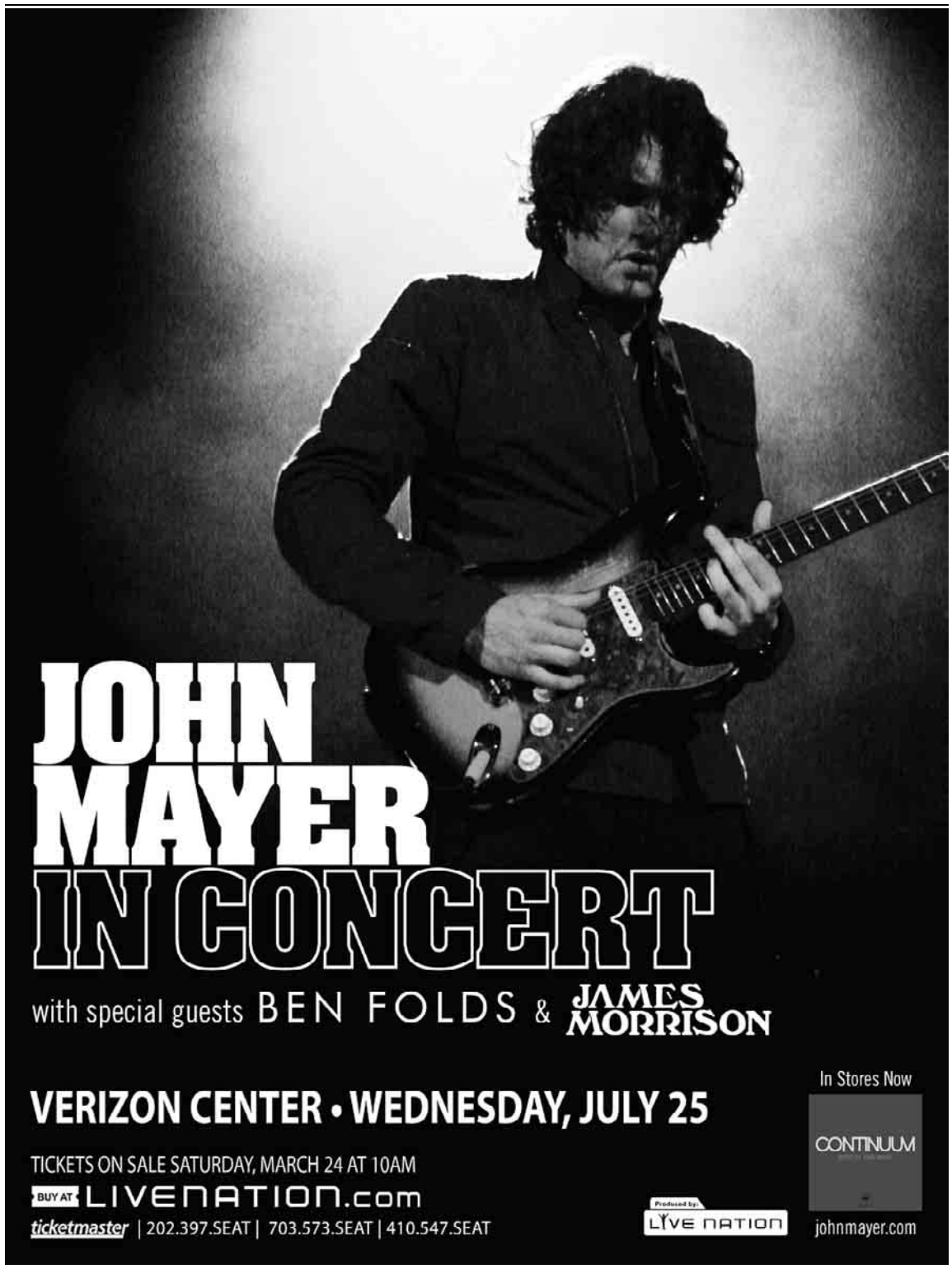
LAST CHANCE Goethe-Institute Washington: "Costumes and Stage Design Sketches," from productions of Wagner's epic operas "Das Rheingold" and "Die Walküre," in conjunction with the Washington National Opera's slowly unfolding performances of his "Ring Cycle," through March 23. 812 7th St. NW; 202-331-0590, www.goethe.de/ins/us/was/en2075010.htm.

Heliport Gallery: "Convergences Towards a Jewish/Muslim Renewal," this showcase explores the shared history of the two religions, through April 9. 8001 Kennett St., Silver Spring.

Hemphill Fine Arts: "Tug of War," displays colorful work by "pop surrealist" artists with roots in California alternative and subcultures including comics and punk music, through April 7. 1515 14th St. NW; 202-234-5601, hemphillfinearts.com.

Hillyer Art Space: "Northern Light/Nordic Visions," paintings that capture the different landscapes of Scandinavia, through April 20. "Veiled," Baltimore-based Erin Cluley creates paintings and mixed-media works inspired by her Catholic upbringing, through April 6. 9 Hillyer Court NW; 202-338-0680,

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Hirshhorn Museum: "Refract, Reflect, Project: Light Works From the Collection," light as a subject and a material takes center stage in this collection of international works from the 1950s to the present, through April 8. "Black Box: Magnus Wallin," the Swedish artist's nightmares and dreamscapes in high-tech animation, through May 20. "Ways of Seeing: John Baldessari Explores the Collection," Baldessari's installation uses works from the museum's holdings, through July 26. "Directions — Virgil Marti and Pae White" through July 29. 7th Street & Independence Avenue SW; 202-633-1000, hirshhorn.org.

Honfleur Gallery: "Around the World in a Day," Artist Alison Spain first solo exhibition dramatic paintings from her travels, through April 19. "The East of the River Group," a local group of artists display images of daily life in the community of Wards 7 and 8, through March 31. 1224 Good Hope Road SE; 202-889-5000, honfleurgallery.com.

Irvine Contemporary: "Flesh and Bone," the heart is a meaty, blood-filled organ and the nexus of passion in Joseph McSpadden's 3-D paintings, through April 7. 1412 14th St. NW; 202-332-8767, irvinecontemporary.com.

Katzen Arts Center: "Contemporary Glass: Beauty and Innovation," artists demonstrate the range in glass art processes, through April 8. "Robert Brady: Sculpture 1989-2005," the West Coast artist's spare wooden forms. "Richard Cleaver: Family Fictions," hand-built, exotically decorated portrait and object sculptures bristling with secrets and clues; "Stanley Lewis — A Retrospective," the landscape artist's cut-apart and reassembled canvases. "Duane Hansen — Real Life," the trompe l'oeil sculptor's everyday people; "Dennis Oppenheim: Alternative Landscape Components," the eclecticist's outdoor and physical sculptures and installations, all through April 15. 4400 Massachusetts Ave. NW; 202-885-2787, american.edu/museum.

Library of Congress: "A Century of Creativity: The MacDowell Colony 1907-2007," music manuscripts and first editions from residents of this early American artist colony, through Aug. 18. 101 1st St. SE; 202-707-8000, loc.gov/exhibits.

Mandarin Oriental Hotel: "Gold and Kimono: Opulent Reflections of Japanese Culture," featuring sumptuous kimonos with a special emphasis on gold, ongoing. Mandarin Oriental Hotel, 1330 Maryland Ave. SW; 202-554-8588.

Marsha Mateyka Gallery: "Songs of Naked Trees," Madeleine Hatz's recent paintings explore sweeping landscapes and weather, through March 31. 2012 R St. NW; 202-328-0088, marshamateykagallery.com.

LAST CHANCE Meat Market Gallery: "Spirit of Place," ceramics by Robert Devers and Alice Clark, through Sun. 1636 17th St. NW; 202-328-6328.

Meridian International Center: "Out West: The Great American Landscape," this collection of rugged landscapes is part of an exhange program with the National Art Museum of China and the Chinese Minsitry of Culture, indefinite. 1630 Crescent Place NW; 202-667-6800, meridian.org.

National Academy of Sciences: "Strange Weather: New Paintings by Joy Garnett," an ongoing series of works ripped from the weather pages headlines, through April 30. Winning images from the 2006 Nikon Small World photography competition, through May 1.

National Air and Space Museum: "Treasures of American History," many of the National Museum of American History's choicest items — from Dorothy's ruby slippers to Jacqueline Kennedy's inaugural ball gown — find a temporary home, ongoing. 6th Street and Independence Avenue, 202-633-1000, www.nasm.si.edu.

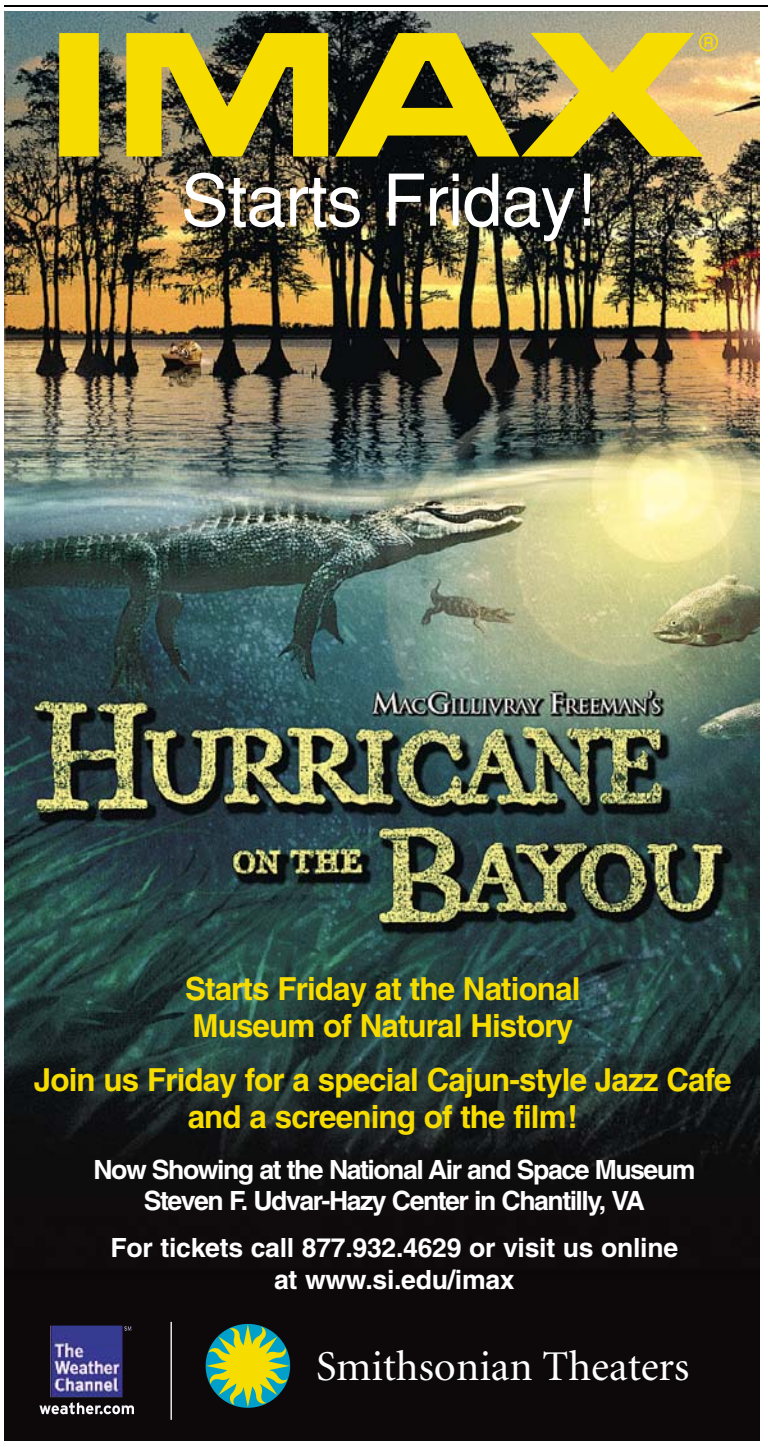
National Archives: "The Charters of Freedom," "A New World Is at Hand," "The Public Vaults," the Magna Carta and other treasures, ongoing. Constitution Avenue between 7th

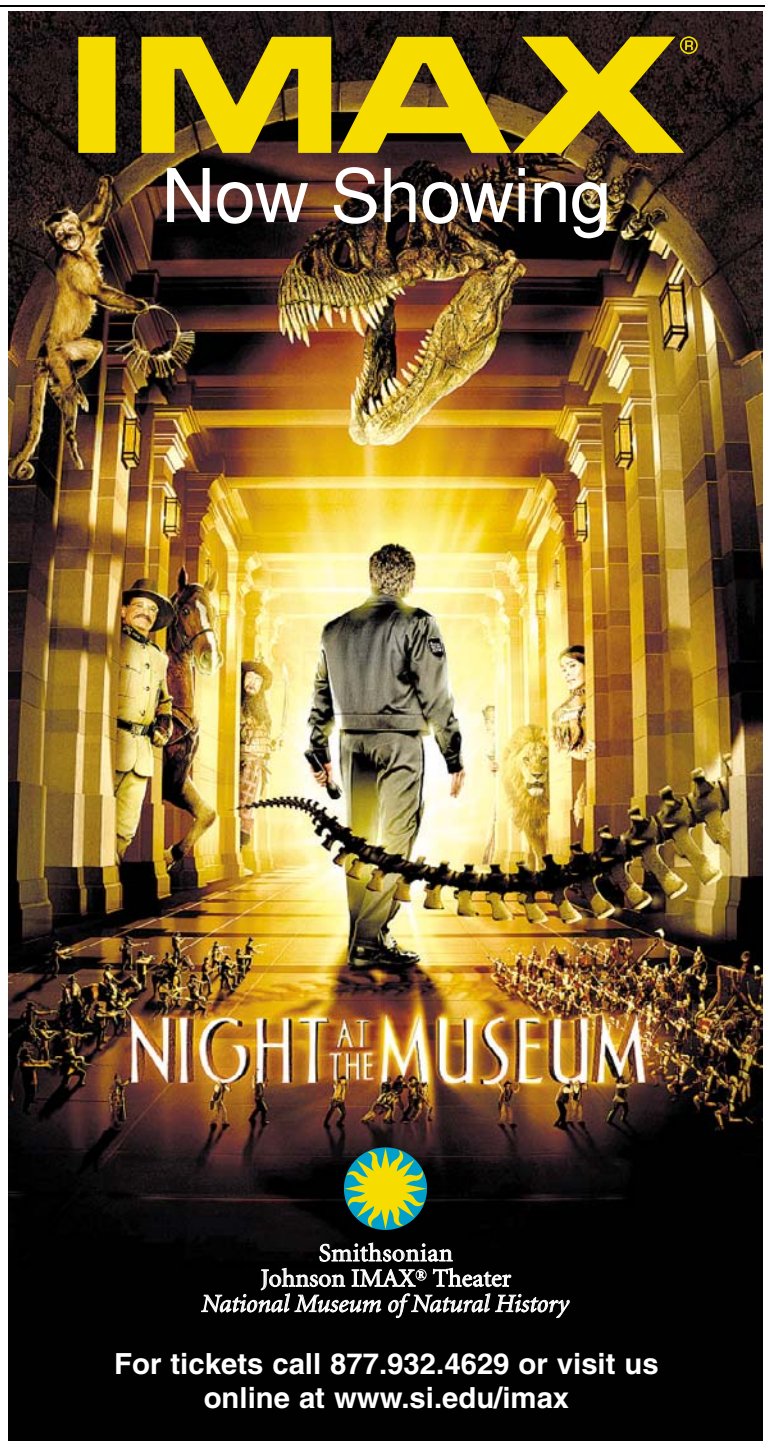
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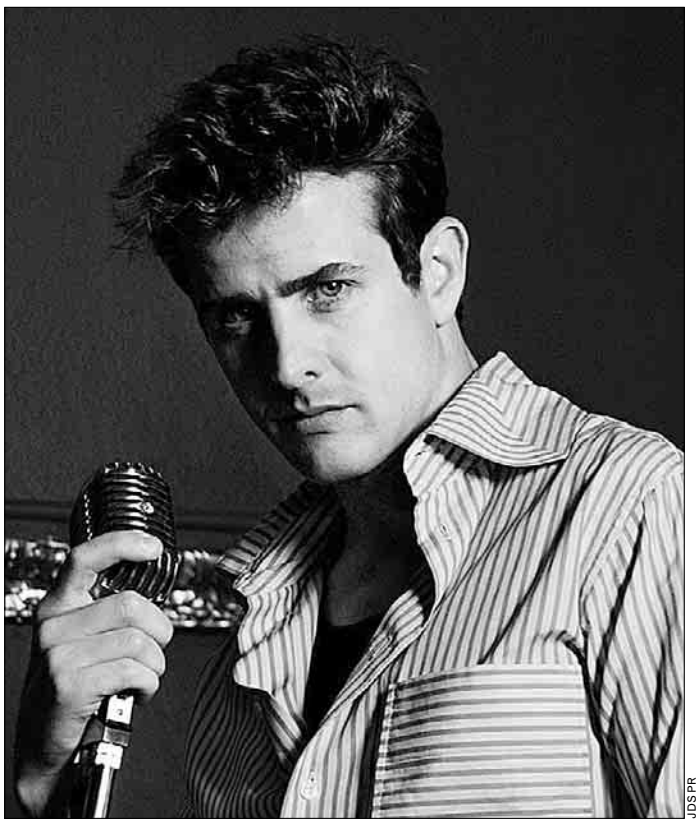
VICTOR PILON

STAGE FRIGHT: From a quintessentially English writer comes an odd, multimedia, very French production of "The Tempest." Through Saturday at the Kennedy Center, Montreal's 4D Art performance company stages Shakespeare's stormy play about young love, politics, exile and powers in decline with the help of high-tech special effects and virtual characters.





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JOEY OF ALL TRADES: Of all the New Kids on the Block, Joey McIntyre was the Professional One. He's been on TV, on Broadway, in movies and in the recording studio since his time as one of the haircutty junior pop stars of the '80s. McIntyre celebrates the release of his new album, "Talk to Me," with what should be a slickly executed show at Jammin' Java on Saturday.

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& 9th streets NW; 202-357-5300, www.archives.gov.

National Building Museum: "The Green House: New Directions in Sustainable Architecture and Design," through June 30. "Reinventing the Globe: A Shakespearean Theater for the 21st Century," through Aug. 27. "Washington: Symbol and City," ongoing. "Cityscapes Revealed," highlights from the museum's permanent collection, ongoing. 401 F St. NW; 202-272-2448, nbm.org.

National Gallery of Art: "Eugene Boudin," an extensive collection of french impressionist Boudin, through April 5. "Sources for Shakespeare's Plays: Selections from the National Gallery of Art Library," centuries-old texts including Ovid's "Metamorphoses," Livy's "Roman History" and "Plutarch's Lives," through April 17. "An Allegory of Painting," by Jasper Johns, through April 29. "Paris in Transition," nostalgia-inducing photographs of the French city, through May 6. "States and Variations: Prints by Jasper Johns," through Oct. 28. 600 Constitution Ave. NW; 202-289-3360, www.nga.gov.

National Geographic Museum: "Spirit of Japanese Gardens," through April 29. "National Geographic MAPS: Tools for Adventure," a kid-friendly interactive exhibit about maps, charts and navigation. "Zakouma, Elephant Crisis in Chad," photographs by Michael Nichols show the extremes conservationists must go to in order to protect the last surviving Central African elephants from poachers. The exhbit is accompanied by eyewitness text from National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence J. Michael Fay, through Sep. 3. 17th and M streets NW; 202-857-7588.

National Library of Medicine: Selections from permanent collections, ongoing. 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda; 301-496-6308, www.nlm.nih.gov.

National Museum of African Art: "African Vision: The Walt Disney-Tishman African Art Collection," through Sept. 7, 2008. "Resonance From the Past," African sculpture from the New Orleans Museum of Art, ongoing. "Body of Evidence," contemporary African artists use the body, ongoing. 950 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-1000, www.nmafa.si.edu.

National Museum of the American Indian: "Identity by Design: Tradition, Change, and Celebration in Native Women's Dresses." Explore the cultural expressions and artistic identity weaved into a collection of traditional dresses and accessories by various tribes of the American Indian, through Jan. 2, 2008. 4th Street and Independence Avenue, SW; 202-633-6985.

National Museum of Health and Medicine: "Scarred for Life," 35 ink prints by Ted Meyer display surgical scar marks. "Cartoonists Take Up Smoking," both through March 31. 6900 Georgia Ave. NW, AFIP, Building 54; 202-782-220, nmhm.washingtondc.museum.

National Museum of Natural History: "Orchids: Take a Walk on the Wild Side," a fount of information about orchids and a large number of "naturalistic" displays of the plants. "Transitions: Photographs by Robert Creamer," through June 24. 10th Street & Constitution Avenue NW; 202-633-1000, www.mnh.si.edu.

National Museum of Women in the Arts: "The National Museum of Women in the Arts at 20: Selections from the Archives," photographs, original posters, and historical objects as well as paintings from the permanent collection tell the museum's story, through Dec. 1250 New York Ave. NW; 202-783-5000, www.nmwa.org.

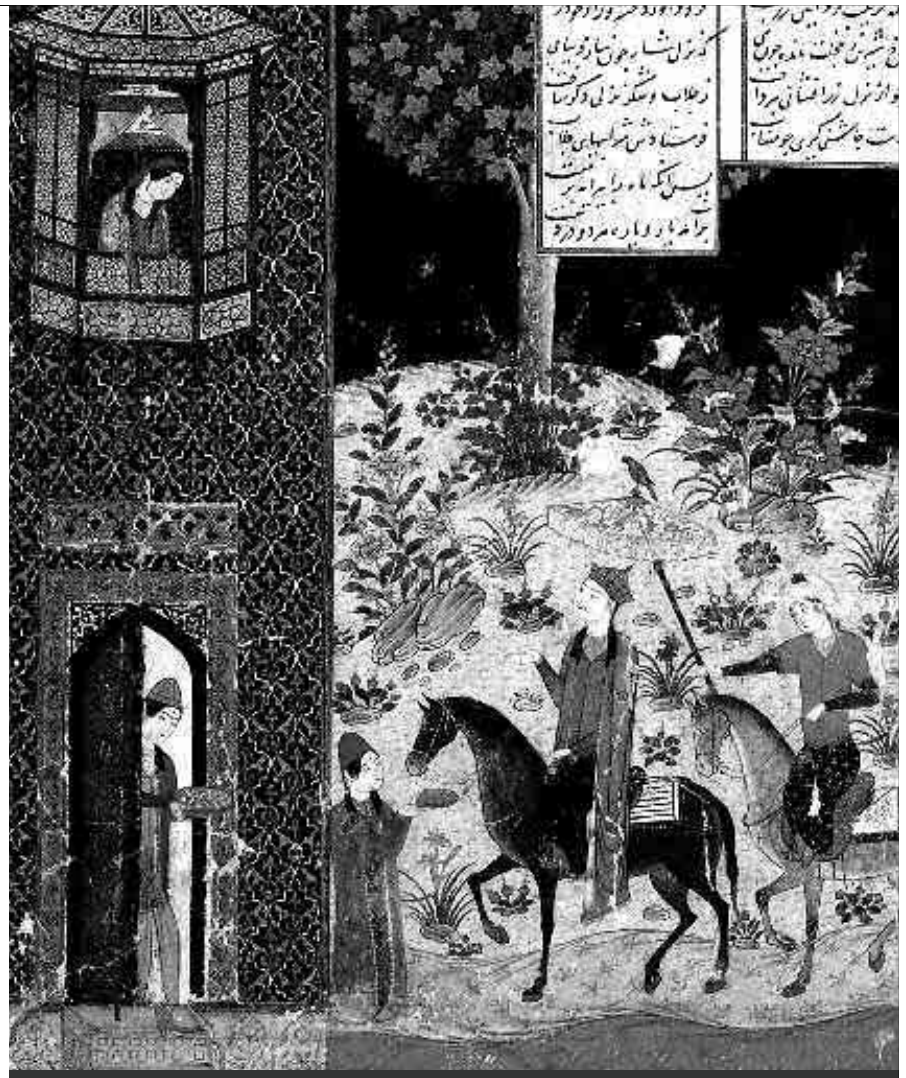
National Postal Museum: "Trailblazers & Trendsetters: The Art of the Stamp," through Oct. 3. "Out of the Mails," examples of the resourceful ways Revolutionary War-era citizens found to circumvent regular mail channels, ongoing. 2 Mas-

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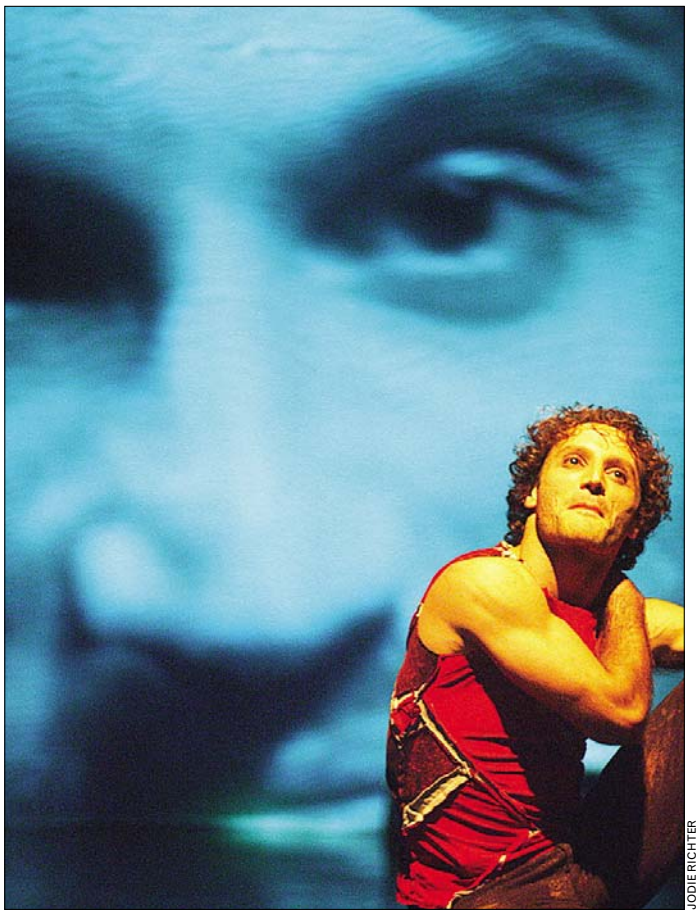
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sachusetts Ave. NE; 202-633-5500, www.postalmuseum.si.edu.

National Press Club: "Out of the Darkness, Into the Light," featuring photography of Northern Ireland's conflicts, through March 28. 1350 I St. NW; 202-408-0808.

Nevin Kelly Gallery: "Women's Work," young female artists — Molly Brose, Mary Chiaramonte, Jenny Davis, Laurel Hausler and Abbe Mcgray — with remarkably diverse points of view, through April 8, 1517 U St. NW; 202-232-3464, nevinkellygallery.com.

LAST CHANCE The Ninth Street Gallery: "Recent Work," features the ceramic sculpture of Turker Ozdogan, and the international photography of Jeff Stephanic, through Sat. 1306 9th St. NW; 202-332-9369, theninthstreetgallery.com.

Phillips Collection: "Moving Pictures: American Art and Early Film," an exploration of the history of film experiments and how they inspired contemporary painting, through May 20. 1600 21st St. NW; 800-551-7328, phillipscollection.org.

Project 4: "Specimen," an international array of artists looks at the scientifically observable and the nature of change in this remarkable group show, through April 21. 903 U St. NW; 202-232-4340, project4gallery.com.

Pyramid Atlantic Art Center: "Token," six women artists explore issues of sexuality, through April 6. 8230 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring; 301-608-9101, pyramidatlanticartcenter.org.

Randall Scott Gallery: "Josh Urso Designs," Unique furniture designed to inspire and delight rather than fulfill comfort needs, through March 31. 1326 14th St. NW; 202-332-0806, randallscottgallery.com.

Renwick Gallery: "From the Ground Up: Craft Invitational 2007," the Renwick hosts an eclectic and decidedly un-crafts fair group of artists in glass, ceram-

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Mon., Mar. 26: WASHINGTON NATIONAL OPERA INSIGHT LECTURE SERIES: *DIE WALKÜRE*
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S. Dillon Ripley Center: "Exit Saigon, Enter Little Saigon: Vietnamese America since 1975," through March 31. 1100 Jefferson Drive SW; 202-633-1000, www.si.edu/ripley.

LAST CHANCE Studio Gallery: "Rebalancing," Jan Willem van der Vossen's new cityscapes and collages, through Sun. 2108 R St. NW; 202-232-8734. www.studiogallerydc.com.

Target Gallery: "Roots and Branches," works connecting the history of the African-American journey to and within the U.S. to today — including items reminiscent of a slave ship, bones, photos and clay masks, through April 29. 105 North Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565.

Textile Museum: "Red," this exhibition explores the meaning, uses and history of the primary color, through July 8. 2320 S St. NW; 202-667-0441, textilemuseum.org.

Touchstone Gallery: "Habit," Aubrie Mema's small works in mixed media on transparency recall Rorschach blots, through April 8; opening reception Fri., 6-8:30 p.m. "Latest Faces," Charles St. Charles' monoypes, acrylics an oils, through April 8. 406 7th St. NW; 202-347-2787, touchstonegallery.com.

Union Gallery: "I Walk the Line," three artists focus on the practice of abstraction in their work, through April 12. Stamp Student Union, University of Maryland, College Park; 301-314-8493.

U.S. Botanic Garden: "Vanishing Wetlands: Two Views," Louisiana's eroding coast is portrayed in C.C. Lockwood's photos and Rhea Gary's paintings, through May 13. "Nature's Barcodes," an exhibition documenting the progress of a joint project of the USBG and the National Museum of Natural History, Department of Botany to develop DNA-based genetic "bar codes" for plants using their DNA, through June 10. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963, usbg.gov.

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Zenith Gallery: "29 Artists — 29 Years," an anniversary exhibition, through April 29. 413 7th St. NW; 202-783-2963, zenithgallery.com.

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37 Stones, or The Man Who Was a Quarry: Charter Theatre premiers a new comedy about a man who has a painfully intimate knowledge of the heartbreak of kidney stones, through March 31, Thu., $20; Fri. & Sat., $25. Theatre on the Run, 3700 Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington; 202-333-7009, chartertheatre.org.

After Darwin: The Journeyman Theater closes out its season with Timberlake Wertenbaker's engrossing drama, which tells two stories — Darwin's voyage on the Beagle and a modern-day re-creation of the voyage — and says volumes about the survival of the fittest, through March 31, $20, $15 seniors and students. Church St. Theater, 1742 Church St. NW; 800-494-TIXS.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY As You Like It: The Rockville Civic Ballet presents an original work blending new choreography with Shakespeare's timeless plot, Sat. & Sun., $8-$12. F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, 603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville; 240-314-8690.



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Worldly Films For Thought

THE CRUCIAL nexus of film and reporting is examined in "Reel Journalism: Screenings and Symposia." Through Saturday, five films will be screened, to be followed by discussions with directors, journalists, authors, activists and even subjects of the films. The Thursday-night kickoff screening is of Ahmed A. Jamal's documentary "The Journalist and the Jihadi: The Murder of Daniel Pearl." On Friday, there will be a themed double feature of "Our Choice, Too: On the Edge in Darfur" and "God Grew Tired of Us," left. Sturday's offerings include "Invisible Children" and the fiction film "Blood Diamond." *See www.soc.american.edu/content.cfm?id=652 for schedule and venues.* ARION BERGER (EXPRESS)

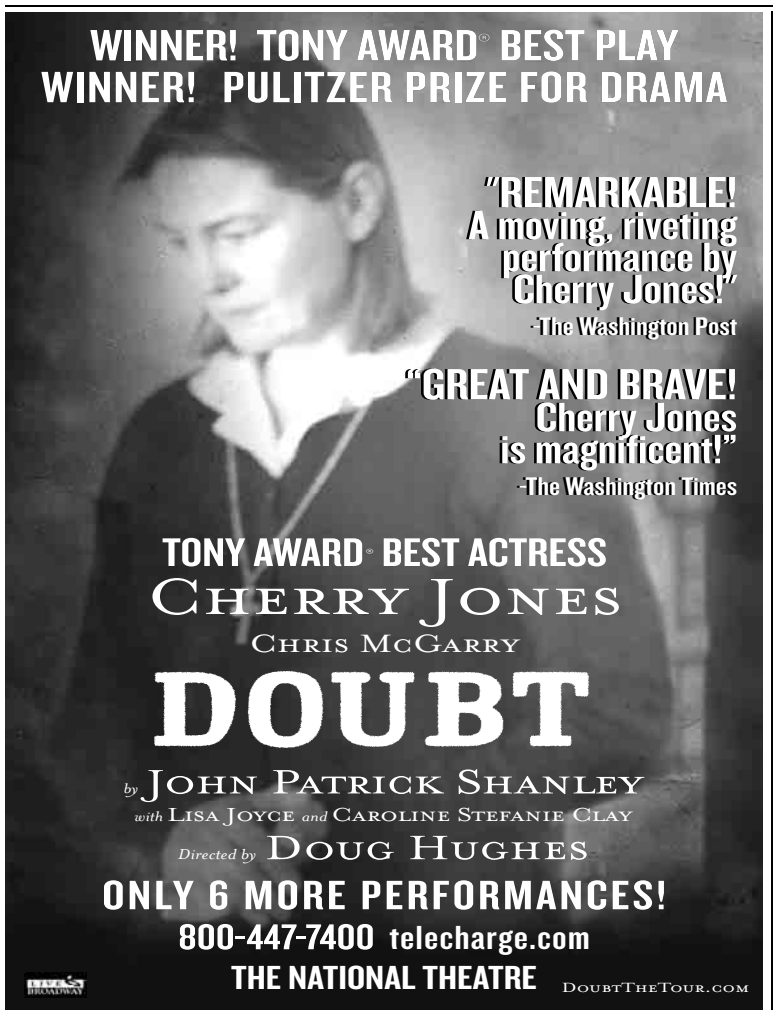
SATURDAY ONLY Don Quixote: The Moscow Festival Ballet presents the popular ballet that's more about dazzling peasant dancing than the would-be Spanish knight and his active imagination, $25-$50. George Mason University, Center for the Arts, Braddock Road and Route 123, Fairfax; 703-993-2787.

Free Jujube Brown: Through the guise of several characters, one actor tells a tragic and affecting story — fused with hip hop — of a young man's run-in with the police and a final life-costing mistake, through April 14, $15/$20. DCAC, 2438 18th St. NW; 202-270-6990. musefire.org

Frankie and Johnny in the Clair de Lune: A lonely cook and a waitress share a night of intimacy and have a hard time waking up to reality in Terrence McNally's play, through April 8, $46-$66. Arena Stage, 1101 6th St. SW; 202-554-9066. arenastage.org.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Giselle: The Moscow Festival Ballet presents a fan favorite in this French-influenced tragic ballet, Sun. March 25, $25-$50. George Mason University, Center for the Arts, Braddock Road and Route 123, Fairfax;

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What Makes Korean Art So Contemporary?



Contemporary Korean art is now dynamic and vibrant, with many widely-exhibited talents. Doryun Chong, Assistant Curator of Visual Art at The Walker Art Center in Minneapolis, will provide a survey of post-1980s developments.

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WEEKENDS ONLY Holy Ghosts: The Spooky Action Theater stages Romulus Linney's play about a Pentecostal sect traveling through Appalachia with faith, snakes and prayer in hand, Thursdays through Saturdays through April 1, open admission. Montgomery College, 7600 Takoma Ave., Takoma Park; 202-248-0647, www.spookyaction.org.

FRIDAYS ONLY iMusical: The Improvised Musical: The off-the-cuff comic actors of the Washington Improv Theater make it up — songs, story and all — as they go along, through April 6, $15. Mead Theatre Lab at Flashpoint, 916 G St. NW; 202-315-1318, imusical.org.

Insurrection: Holding History: Theatre Alliance presents Robert O'Hara's comic journey through Virginia's racially and sexually fraught past in which one very old man looks back on his life and that of the Old Dominion, through April 1, $26. H Street Playhouse. 1365 H St. NE; 866-811-4111, theatrealliance.com.

Jazz on Foot + Plus: Jane Franklin Dance welcomes Jazzdabzdc and the youthful DanceFusion Jazz Project for a matinee performance featuring the music of the Duke Ellington Orchestra, John Coltrane and others, 3 p.m., $15. Ainslie Arts Center, Episcopal High School, 3900 Braddock Road entrance, Alexandria; 703-298-3235, janefranklindance.com.

LAST CHANCE Junebug and the Reverend: A family-friendly play about the experiences of a young African-American boy who befriends a reverend at a retirement home, through Sun., $10-$20. Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave. Bethesda; 301-280-1660.

FRIDAY ONLY Jungle Books: City-Dance Ensemble's new dance performance of an adventurous children's tale for the whole family, 6 p.m., free. Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage, 2700 F St. NW; 202-467-4600, kennedy-center.org.

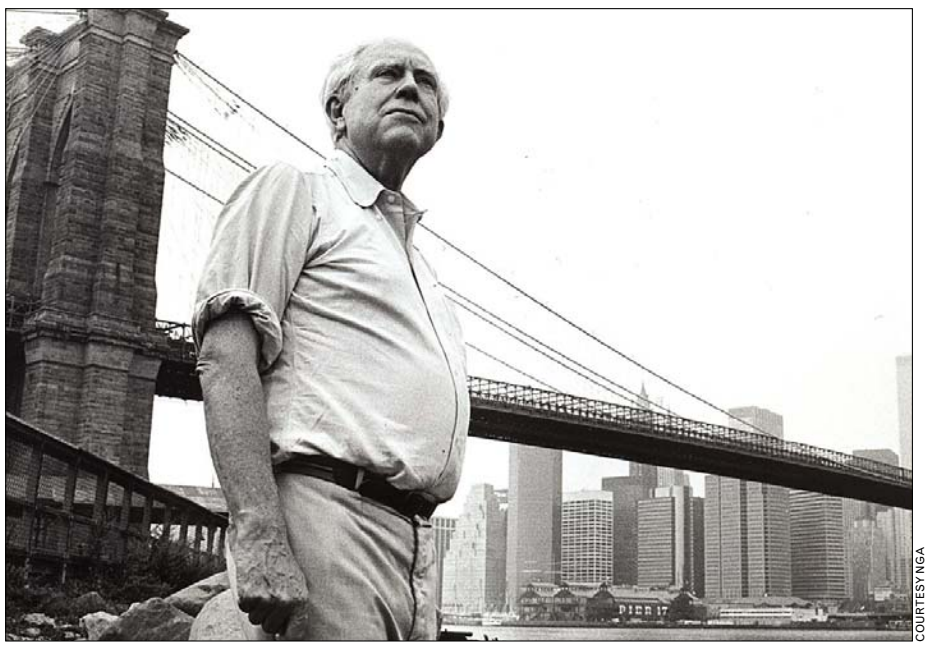
Meet John Doe: Eric Schaeffer makes his Ford's Theatre directorial debut with this timely staging of a new musical based on the uplifting Frank Capra film, through April 29, $25-$52. Ford's Theatre, 511 10th St. NW; 202-347-4833, fordstheatre.org.

LAST CHANCE The Owl and the Pussycat: A good-time girl — in this case a transvetite — and her nosy neighbor are forced into each other's lives in this comic twist on the battle between the sexes, through Sun., $25-$30. Source Theater, 1835 14th St. NW; 800-494-8497, www.atwdc.org.

The Pillowman: Martin McDonagh's harrowing tale about a writer of terrifying stories and the totalitarian state that wants to harness his imagination, through April 22, $42-$55. The Studio Theater, 1501 14th St. NW; 202-232-7267, studiotheatre.org.

The Princess and the Pea: A new musical gives the classic fairy tale something to sing about, Saturdays through March 31. $10. Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run, Arlington; 202-333-7009.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Seeds: Local troupe the Nancy Havlik Dance Perfor-



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IT'S HARD ENOUGH to talk about conceptual artist/composer John Cage and composer/musician Elliott Carter in musical terms, considering the wide, and, frankly, odd, playing field they made of their chosen art form. But to discuss these two 20th-century giants' achievements in another medium altogether is a true feat. This Saturday, the films "From Zero: John Cage" and "A Labyrinth of Time" put these talents in the context of, in the case of Cage, his friendships and artistic and philosophical influences, and in Carter's, the cacophonous city that informed his work, New York. *National Gallery of Art, 600 Constitution Ave. NW; Sat., 1 p.m., free; 202-842-6799. (Archives-Navy Memorial)*

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THIS SUNDAY ONLY South Side Stories: Musical performers Louis Rosen and Capathia Jenkins merge the sounds of jazz and other popular styles with spoken word in a performance influenced by the work of Maya Angelou and Nikki Giovanni, $15-$25. Sixth and I Historic Synagogue, 600 I St. NW; 202-408-3100.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Standpipe: Tania Isaac (Urban Bush Women) presents her latest work, in a modern dance performance focusing on the importance of water in Caribbean communities, Sat. & Sun., $15-$20. Dance Place, 3225 8th St. NE; 202-269-1600.

LAST CHANCE Strike While the Irony's Hot: A series of benefit performances that combines original satire with a musical revue, through March 24, $20-$25. Duke Ellington School of the Arts, 3500 R St. NW; 202-333-7469, ww.hexagon.org.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY Virtually Richard3: Part of the "Shakespeare in Washington" festival, Expressions Dance Company of Australia fuses dance and theater and multimedia, Fri. & Sat., $37. Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. NE; 202-785-9727.

THIS WEEKEND ONLY The Wizard of Oz: The Gay Men's Chorus of Washington puts a twist on everyone's favorite family-friendly adventure, with an all-male cast, unique sets and costumes, and that little dog, too, Sat. & Sun., $19-$49. George Washington University, Lisner Auditorium, 730 21st St, NW; 202-293-1548, lisner.org.

Writer's Cramp: Scena Theatre puts on John Byrne's literary comedy about a little-known (and entirely fictional) Scottish writer, through April 7, $15-$32.50. Warehouse Theater, 1021 7th St. NW; 703-684-7990, warehousetheater.com.

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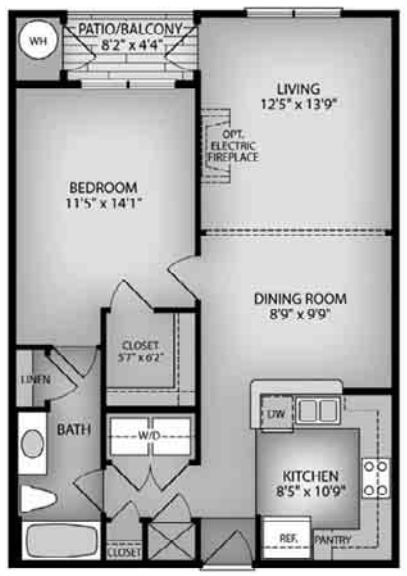


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